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PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, November 12th, 1880.

The Introductory Sermon preached by Rev. I. T. Privette.

Refreshments thirty minutes.

The Association convened. Prayer by Rev. John Adams.

Church Letters received and read.

The body proceeded to the election of officers. Rev. John Adams was elected Moderator, and C. F. Fields Clerk.

On motion, the door opened for the reception of churches, when two newly constituted churches, Baptist Home and Shady Grove, were received.

On motion, invited correspondents:

From Brier Creek—Rev. W. A. Myers, Rev. E. N. Gwyn, with Bro. J. Jennings.

From Brushy Mountain—Rev. I. T. Privette, Rev. I. N. Haynes.

Committees were appointed as follows:

On Arrangements—A. E. Myers, D. J. Roberts, B. W. Ashley, T. Byrd, J. M. Gambill, with Moderator, Clerk and Correspondents.

On Finance—W. F. Byrd, F. Brewer, A. Ellege.

On Religious Exercises—J. Staly, J. M. Gambill, with Pastor and delegates of this church.

On Missions—I. T. Privette, E. N. Gwyn.

On Periodicals—J. Jennings, W. A. Myers.

On Education—I. N. Haynes, D. R. Edwards.

On Sunday Schools—S. S. Board.

On Obituaries—A. E. Myers, J. Hughes.

On Temperance—D. J. Roberts, C. F. Fields.

On Resolutions—N. J. Walls, G. C. Poplin.

Correspondents reported: A. E. Myers, J. Jordan, J. W. and C. F. Fields attended the Brier Creek; W. F. Byrd the Brushy Mountain.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Elders D. J. Roberts and J. Jordan would preach at night.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow 9 A. M. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers.

SATURDAY, 9 O'clock A. M.

Prayer by Rev. I. T. Privette.

Rev. Mr. Troy, agent for American Bible Society, being present, was invited to a seat.

Committee of Arrangement reported. Report received and committee discharged.

Read minutes of preceding day.

Constitution and Rules of Decorum read, and the names of delegates announced.

Committee on Periodicals submitted the following:

Periodical literature is essential to the proper instruction of our people. We need the RECORDER to secure this result. It is beneficial to the farmer, the parent and child, and informs us of the general work of the church at home and abroad.

W. A. MYERS,
J. JENNINGS.

After remarks by Elders Myers and Gwyn, the report was adopted.

The Sunday School Board offered the following:

We organized by choosing T. Byrd, Chairman, and C. F. Fields, Secretary. Conventions were held by the Board, and were addressed by Gwyn, Foote, Johnson and others, and much interest was manifested in the Sunday School work. We had several schools in the Association, largely attended by old and young. We recommend the appointment of three brethren as a committee to supervise the Sunday School work in this Association. C. F. FIELDS, Secretary.

After remarks by Bro. Gwyn, report adopted.

Brethren J. M. Gambill, J. C. Harpe and W. F. Byrd appointed Sunday School Board for the present year.

Rev. E. N. Gwyn, who was appointed at last session to show the relation the Sabbath School sustains to the church, offered the following:

The Sunday School may be considered the church at work. We believe the church to be composed of *personal* believers in Christ, being baptized upon a profession of that faith, and showing to the world by a pious walk, a godly conversation, and a willing mind, that there is a work for each one to do in the vineyard of the Lord, the image of the Divine Master being so deeply engraved in the heart, soul and mind, that they are constrained to work because they cannot help it. Viewed from this stand point, then, each member of the church, both male and female, old and young, becomes one of the Sabbath School, either as superintendent, teacher or pupil.

The Sabbath School may be defined as the work or mission of the church. Regarded in this light, notice those who are so deeply impressed with the love of Jesus, and the worth of souls that they will convene at the church house, school house, or dwelling house on the Sabbath and there gather the children of their own family, and the children and aged people of their own community, and other regions beyond, and teach them the sublime story of the Cross, with all the truths of the gospel. Such schools may be composed of those who have been thrown out on the cold charities of the world, whose parents are sleeping the long sleep of death, and who are found at the corners of the

streets, or at the drinking saloons, along the creeks or brooks, or in company with the profane, desecrating the holy Sabbath day. In these schools also may be found those whose parents are living, but whose spiritual training have been neglected, having never been reared in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Yea, in these schools may be found those who are advanced in years, whose life's sun is descending in the far west, who wish to spend their last Sabbaths on earth in obedience to Christ, when he says: "Search ye the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they that testify of me."

When we consider the results of the Sabbath School, they may be defined the *seed-corn* of the church. The most of the accessions to the church are those who have been taught, while young, the way of life and the word of the Lord more perfectly in the Sabbath School, their hearts and minds being spiritually trained and cultivated, are more ready for the reception of Divine truth and for the indwellings of the Holy Ghost.

Lastly, Sabbath Schools are the auxiliaries or efficient helps to the churches in the studying of the Scriptures, in the conversion of sinners, in the building up of churches, and the advancement of Christ's kingdom in the world. E. N. GWYN.

The Circular on Church Discipline was presented by Rev. John Adams, and read by the Clerk, and, on motion, filed with the Clerk.

On motion, adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev W. A. Myers. Text, Matt. xxviii: 19. Rev. John Adams was too unwell to preach the Denominational Sermon.

Afternoon Session.

The Association convened at 1 P. M.

Invitation extended to visiting brethren. Rev. W. J. Combs, from the Primitive Association, accepted a seat.

The committee on Missions offered the following:

Missions include State, Domestic, Foreign and Associational.

State Missions is the work in our own State, and we are glad to know that this work is being so rapidly advanced by the Board of the Baptist State Convention. The Baptists, though often called a stingy set, have so earnestly pressed this work in this State that their membership is exceedingly large and prosperous

Domestic Missions is the work of missions in the United States, but the department of this work which concerns us most is that supervised by the Southern Baptist Convention. We especially recommend the work of Bro. Buckner among the Red Men of the Forest. Thousands have been and are being converted through his instrumentality. Bro. J. B. Hartwell is laboring successfully with the Chinese in California.

Foreign Missions is the work of Missions in all the world. Bro. Yates, the model Missionary of the day, is yet doing a good work for the Master in China. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creatute," is yet the command of our Saviour. Paul and Barnabas were foreign missionaries sent out by the church at Antioch. (See Acts xiii.

We do recommend the appointment of a Missionary to labor in and on the borders of this Association, as this is an inviting field in which to work for the Master.

E. N. GWYN,
I. T. PRIVETTE.

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Remarks were submitted by Elders F. T. Shore, I. T. Privette, E. N. Gwyn, and the report adopted.

On motion, the Association considered the propriety of sending out some one to preach within our bounds and on our borders. After remarks by the Moderator and many of the brethren, the Association proceeded to elect by ballot a Missionary, which resulted in the election of Bro. Gwyn.

Brethren F. Brewer, S. M. Woodruff, D. R. Edwards, A. Elledge and C. F. Fields, were appointed a committee to supervise the Mission work, and, on motion, this Board was requested to co-operate with the State Board.

The committee on Education offered their report:

It is a favorable indication of the times that much interest is manifested in the cause of education; and we are pleased to say that we have prosperous schools all over our country. And we are pleased to introduce the school at Moravian Falls, conducted by Prof. G. W. Greene. We also report Wake Forest College as being in a prosperous condition.

E. N. GWYN,
D. R. EDWARDS.

The report was adopted.

The committee on Temperance reported:

We understand the word Temperance to mean a moderate use of such things as are for our good, and a total abstinence from all things that are injurious to health and happiness. The success of the church is being clogged by intemperance in many particulars, especially by the making and using ardent spirits. Let us all contribute more for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom, and not so much for spirituous liquors.

C. F. FIELDS,
D. J. ROBERTS.

The committee on Obituaries reported:

Our Heavenly Father, in his providence, has removed our beloved brother Ansel Parks, who died suddenly October 30, 1880, aged 72 years. Bro. Parks was baptized into the fellowship of the church at Cool Spring about 31 years ago and has served as deacon in the church at Center 23 years. His life was the life of the Christian, and was an ornament to the church, and a light to the world; and he was kind and devoted to his family, and those around him. He dearly loved to attend the Associations, he having been delegated to the Association every year since his membership, except one—and the brethren all knew him and loved him. He leaves a wife with 6 children and many grand-children to mourn his departure. Oh may we all indulge the blissful hope of meeting him in the sun-bright clime where Associations never break up and Sabbaths never end.

Also, our beloved brother, B. F. Johnson, who died May 18, 1880, aged about 65 years. He was a member of Cool Spring church 23 years and deacon 22 years. He was a man of bright intellect and gigantic mind, with a modest disposition in Church and State. He leaves a devoted companion and 7 children to mourn his death.

May the Lord bless every widow and orphan child.

J. HUGHES,
A. MYERS.

The Treasurer reported:

Received from the Association	$ 1 00	
Received from Finance Committee	6 00	
Collection on Sabbath,	5 12	
		$ 12 12
Paid as directed by the Association:		
Printing Minutes	$ 8 50	
Associational Book,	65	
Paper and Postage,	25	
In Treasury,	2 72	
		$ 12 12

C. F. FIELDS, Treasurer.

Report adopted, and Treasurer continued.

On motion, the Treasurer was requested to retain the money in the Treasury for past services as Clerk.

The Finance Committee reported $15.31.

On motion, the Association adopted the following:

WHEREAS, We have elected our beloved brother, E. N. Gwyn, as an Evangelist in this Association, let us endeavor to feel that *his* work is *our* work Let us try to free his mind from earthly engagements, that he may give himself wholly to the work for which we have chosen him, remembering that as Paul sa s, upon him is the care of all the churches. To this end let us request the Mis-ion Board to so arrange that one of their number frequently visit and confer with Bro. Gwyn's family, and assist them in procuring such things as may be necessary for their support.

On motion, adjourned until candle-light. Prayer by Rev. F. T. Shore.

NIGHT SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. A. E. Myers.

Volunteer Missionaries reported: Revs. John Adams and B. W. Ashley gave an extensive verbal report of their work. Revs. E. N. Gwyn, A. E. Myers and D. J. Roberts also reported.

Appointed Correspondents, as follows:

TO YADKIN—C. F. Fields, F. T. Shore, L. D. Burcham, A. E. Myers and J. S. Poplin.

TO BRIER CREEK—J. Adams, S. W. Adams, A. E. Myers, F. T. Shore and J. M. Gambill.

TO BRUSHY MOUNTAIN—R. F. Jarvis, J. F. Harris. J. Jordan, J. Adams.

TO NEW RIVER—W. F. Byrd, J. R. McCam, B. W. Ashley, J. Jordan.

On motion, the next session of this body to convene with the church at Rock Creek, on Friday before the first Sunday in October; B. W. Ashley to preach the annual sermon, F. T. Shore alternate.

The Clerk was instructed to have 400 copies of Minutes printed, and be allowed five dollars for his services.

Miscellaneous matter being called for, Elders Myers, Shore, Ashley, Hayes, Gwyn, Roberts and Jordan addressed the Association, enforcing the great duty of love and harmony among the churches and ministry in the general work of the Association.

The committee on Resolutions offered the following:

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the brethren, sisters and citizens of this community for their kind hospitality in supporting this Association.

N. J. WALLS,
G. C. POPLIN.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer by Rev. I. N. Haynes.

JOHN ADAMS, MODERATOR.

C. F. FIELDS, Clerk.

LIST OF MINISTERS.

JOHN ADAMS,	Mulberry,	N. C.
*S. W. ADAMS,	"	"
B. W. ASHLEY,	Wilkesboro,	"
S. M. BURCHAM,	Elkin,	"
S. D. BROWN,	Jonesville,	"
J. N. BROOKS,	Mulberry,	"
J. K. FRANKLIN,	Kapp's Mills,	"
J. HUGHES,	Elkin,	"
W. HARRIS,	Kapp's Mills,	"
J. JORDAN,	Roaring River,	"
*J. LYONS,	Elkin,	"
H. E. MYERS,	Round Mountain,	
W. H. PARDUE,	South Carolina.	
D. J. ROBERTS,	Cherry Lane,	N. C.
F. T. SHORE,	Jonesville,	"
S. F. SIMMONS,	Elkin,	"
J. D. TINSLEY,	Mulberry,	"
*A. J. WILLIAMS,	Kapp's Mills,	"

*Licentiates.

Statistical Table.

Churches.	Post Office.	Pastors.	Delegates.	Experience.	Rec by Letter.	Restored.	Dis by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased	Fellowship.	Minute Fund.	Sab of Pr'ch'g.
Baptist Home,	Mulberry, ...	J. Adams, ...	J. D. Tinsley. G. W. Adams, A. Elledge,..	...	...	...	...	...	...	48	$ 1 50	4
Center, ...	Roaring Gap,.....	J. Hughes, ...	J. Hughes, J. R. McCann, G. W. McCann,	2	...	...	1	...	2	52	1 45	1
Cool Spring,...	Elkin, ...	W. A. Myers,.....	N. J. Walls, J. M. Gambill, J. Darnall,....	7	6	...	1	1	5	268	3 30	2
Dehart,.....	Dockery, ...	J. Adams,.....	W. B. Johnson. L. B. Myers, W. W. Myers,	14	3	...	2	...	1	35	1 40	...
Gum Orchard,	Kapp's Mill,.....	S. F. Simmons,..	A. J. Williams, J. Smith, H. Laster,.....	1	...	...	...	...	...	25	65	3
Long Creek,...	Good Spring,.....	W. Harris,.....	G. R. Byrd, J. Luffman, A. J. Thompson,	1	1	...	...	...	...	18	40	2
Macedonia,....	Elkin,.....	D. J. Roberts,...	J. S. Poplin, G. C. Poplin, J. Mastin,.....	...	1	...	...	1	...	17	50	1
Mt. Pisgah,.....	Dockery, ...	B. W. Ashley,...	F. Brewer, J. Staly, G. E Myers,.....	19	4	...	1	2	1	52	1 50	4
Pleasa't Home	Elkin,.....	G. M. Buchanan	T. Byrd, L D. Burcham, W. F. Byrd,.....	11	2	...	...	...	...	48	1 55	4
Rock Creek,...	Round M, ...	J. Jordan,.....	E.H.Brewer, S. Blackburn, G.M.Woodruff,	17	9	...	...	1	1	79	1 21	4
Shady Grove,..	Wilkesboro, ...	B. W. Ashley,...	R. F Jarvis, ...	3	4	...	...	...	...	15	60	2
Union Hill,.....	Kapp's Mill,.....	W. Harris.....	W. Harris, J. Holcomb.	...	...	...	...	...	1	15	50	4
White Plain,...	Roaring River,..	G. M. Buchanan	D.R.Edwards, D. L. Tharpe, G.W.Jordan,	3	...	...	...	1	...	123	75	3
				77	30	...	5	6	11	795	$15 31	

MINUTES

OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

Rock Creek Church, Wilkes Co., N. C.,

COMMENCING ON

Friday before the first Sabbath in October, 1881.

A. E. MYERS, MODERATOR, Round Mountain, N. C.
FELIX BREWER, CLERK, Dockery, N. C.

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List of Ministers.

John Adams,	Mulberry,	N. C.
*S. W. Adams,	Mulberry,	"
B. W. Ashley,	Wilkesborough,	"
S. M. Burcham,	Elkin,	"
S. D. Brown,	Jonesville,	"
E. N. Gwynn,	Elkin,	"
J. N. Brooks,	Mulberry,	"
J. K. Franklin,	Kapp's Mills,	"
J. Hughes,	Elkin,	"
W. Harris,	Kapp's Mills,	"
J. Jordan,	Roaring River,	"
*J. Lyons,	Elkin,	"
A. E. Myers,	Round Mountain,	"
D. J. Roberts,	Cherry Lane,	"
F. T. Shore,	Jonesville,	"
S. F. Simmons,	Elkin,	"
J. D. Tinsley,	Mulberry,	"
*A. J. Williams,	Kapp's Mills,	"

*Licentiates.

PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY, Sept. 30, 1881.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder B. W. Ashley, from second chapter Philippians, 14th and 15th verses.

Thirty minutes for refreshments.

Rev. John Adams, Moderator of last year, not being present, Rev. E. N. Gwyn was appointed Moderator, *pro tem.*

Prayer by Rev. S. P. Smith.

Church letters read and received.

On motion, the Association proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted in the election of A. E. Myers Moderator, and Felix Brewer Clerk.

On motion, Rev. E. N. Gwyn was requested to act as assistant Moderator and Clerk.

On motion, the door was declared to be open for the reception of churches, when Fishing Creek Church presented a letter, which was unanimously received and the right hand of fellowship extended to her delegates.

On motion, correspondents were invited to seats, which was accepted by Bros. W. A. Myers, J. H. Foot, F. Parks and P. H. Johnson, from Brier Creek Association, and W. G. Young, from New River Association.

Committees were appointed as follows:

On Arrangements—Rev. S. P. Smith, J. W. Fields, L. Burcham, James Tinsley and J. Jordan, with Moderator, Clerk and correspondents.

On Finance—G. W. Adams, C. F. Fields.

On Religious Exercises—R. Edwards, A. Ellege, T. Byrd.

On Missions—J. Hughes, D. J. Roberts, W. G. Young.

On Periodicals—Jas. Gambell, Z. T. Myers, F. M. Adams.

On Education—J. Fort, W. Harris, F. T. Shore.

On Sabbath Schools—E. N. Gwynn, J. N. Brooks.

On Obituaries—S. Blackborn, F. Parks.

On Temperance—I. N. Haynes, J. A. Pardew.

On Resolutions—Eli Brewer, W. W. Myers.

Correspondents reported, as follows: E. N. Gwyn attended the Brier Creek Association, R. F. Jarvis the Brushy Mountain, and W. Harris the New River Association.

On motion, the hour of ten o'clock, a. m., to-morrow, was set apart as the time to consider the propriety of corresponding with the Baptist State Convention.

Appointed correspondents as follows:

To Brier Creek—D. Tharpe, A. E. Myers, J. Fields, J. T. Poplin, J. Hughes, Z. T. Myers.

To Yadkin—C. F. Fields, L. Burcham.

To Brushy Mountain—J. D. Tinsley, B. W. Ashley, E. N. Gwyn.

To New River—E. N. Gwyn, J. Jordan, F. Brewer, C. F. Fields, B. W. Ashley, A. E. Myers.

On motion, we offer correspondence to the Primitive and Mountain Union Associations, as follows:

To the Primitive—J. Jordan, D. J. Roberts, Wm. Gregory, G. Jordan, F. Brewer, E. N. Gwyn, —. Fields.

To the Mountain Union—E. N. Gwyn, B. W. Ashley, D. J. Roberts, Wm. Gregory, W. Harris, C. Waddell.

On motion, any brethren attending the Associations be requested to act as correspondents.

On motion, the Clerk was ordered to have blank letters printed and distributed among the churches.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported that services would be conducted to-night by Rev. W. Harris.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow 9 a. m. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers.

SATURDAY, 9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Rev. E. N. Gwyn.

On motion, the committee of Arrangements reported.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Read the minutes of the preceding day.

Constitution and Rules of Decorum were read and names of delegates announced.

On motion, extended the invitation to correspondents, when I. T. Privett and I. N. Haynes, from the Brushy Mountain, accepted seats.

On motion, query postponed yesterday was taken up.

Rev. E. Gwyn submitted the following:

So far as corresponding with the Baptist State Convention, we say that when our Board of Missions is discontinued, the official correspondence between this Association and said Convention discontinues.

The following resolution is recommended:

The benevolent institutions of the day shall be no bar or test of fellowship, but all shall be free to sustain or not sustain, as they may choose.

After remarks from Brethren Shore, Roberts, Privett, Hughes, Ashley, Gwyn and Smith, the resolution was adopted and ordered to be inserted as a part of our Constitution, which will be Article XXI.

The committee on Missions submitted the following report:

Missions include the greatest effort on the part of God's ministers. As the Father sent his Son to complete his work in reconciling the world to himself, by the shedding of his own blood, so let us obey the commandments of God, taking his word as the man of our counsel, referring to Matthew xxv : 19.

Respectfully,
D. J. ROBERTS,
J. HUGHES,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The Evangelist submitted the following report:

Dear Brethren: As your Evangelist, I offer the following report: Number of sermons, 111; religious visits, 180; days employed, 137; miles traveled, 1,546; received—contribution from the Association, $38; State Board, $50; total, $88.00. The fields of labor have been at Hay Meadow, Trap Hill, Roaring Gap, Pruitt's School House, and on the south fork of Reddie's River. Result—concert of action and harmony of spirit have pervaded the entire Baptist family on my work; love to God and to the brotherhood has prevailed. I succeeded in the constitution of a church on south fork of Reddie's River, with twenty-nine members. The brethren there wished the work continued. In that rich and beautiful valley on the north fork of Reddie's River is also an inviting field in which to organize a church. Trap Hill is a growing and thriving town. A large preparatory institute is there, conducted by Professor White, and monthly preaching by a Baptist is solicited. We also report the constitution of a church for the colored brethren, with fifteen members. As your Evangelist, I do recommend that all your ministers be requested to volunteer as general evangelists in your Association, and report their labors in writing to the next Association.

ENOCH N. GWYN.

On motion, the report was adopted.

F. T. Shore offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the State Mission Board for assisting us in sustaining our Evangelist.

On motion, it was adopted.

Committee on Sabbath Schools reported:

Your committee thinks that every church in the Elkin Association should keep up and encourage Sabbath Schools Wherever the Sabbath School exists and is nourished the children are happy, and that community prosperous. God has blessed the work of this institution, and the best argument in its favor is the grand result all over the world. Our Saviour was the best Sabbath School teacher in the world. It was his custom to go into the sanctuary every Sabbath morning, and there, we read, he sat down and taught his disciples. In fact, this institution is as old as the world. We do recommend the appointment of Bro. C. F. Fields to supervise the Sabbath School work in this Association.

Respectfully,

E. N. Gwyn,
J. N. Brooks,
Committee.

After remarks by Bro. Foot, the report was adopted.

The committee on Periodicals reported as follows:

Periodical literature is a good, cheap educator. The *Biblical Recorder*, so ably edited by Rev. C. T. Bailey, answers greatly to this end. From it we learn of the work of the great Baptist family of the State and elsewhere—it is a source of information to the parents and children.

J. M. Gambill,
F. M. Adams,
Z. S. Myers,
Committee.

After remarks by Brethren Foot and Myers, the report was adopted.

The committee on Education submitted the following report:

Every man is accountable for what he might know. Ignorance is a curse to any people, and wilful ignorance is an abomination unto the Lord. He who neglects or refuses to

inform his mind, digs in the earth and hides his Lord's money. It is the duty of man to improve every gift of God; hence it is his duty to educate his children. We rejoice to know that our people are making something of the importance of education. Catalogues show that all our institutions of learning are being patronized more liberally than ever before. We recommend to our people Moravian Fall Academy and Boonville Academy as good schools. We recommend Wake Forest College and Thomasville Female College as good Collegiate Institutions. We also recommend the Trap Hill Institute as being an excellent school for the old and young, both male and female.

J. Foot,
W. Harris,
F. T. Shore,
Committee.

After remarks by Bro. Foot, the report was adopted.
On motion, adjourned 30 minutes.

EVENING SESSION.

At 1 o'clock p. m. the Association convened.
The committee on Temperance submitted the following:

Temperance is one of those christian graces that should be taught from the pulpit and practiced by every member of the church, and the churches have the power to restrain her members from the excessive use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Respectfully submitted,
I. N. Haynes,
J. L. L. Pardew,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.
The committee on Finance reported, as follows:

Received from the churches $13.95.

On motion, the report was received.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

Received from the committee of Finance,	$15 31
Collection on Saturday,	2 18
Collection on Sabbath,	1 91
Total,	$19 40

Paid out as follows:

Printing Minutes,	$11 00
To Rev. E. N Gwyn,	4 09
For paper and postage,	50
Retained as my own fees,	3 71
Total,	$19 40

C. F. Fields.

On motion, the report was received.

The committee on Obituaries made no report.

Whereas, Elder F. T. Shore is going West to engage in the preaching of the Gospel;

Resolved, That we recommend him to his new field of labor.

On motion, the next session of this body will convene with Fishing Creek church, on Friday before the first Sabbath in October next; D. J. Roberts to preach the Introductory sermon, and E. N. Gwyn Alternate.

The committee of Arrangement submitted the following report:

Query from Mt. Pisgah church answered. In answer to the query, we advise the churches of this Association to close the door for reception of members by application, only in special cases left to the judgment of the churches to whom they make application.

Com. of Arrangement.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to have 400 copies of these minutes printed, and be allowed $4.00 for his services.

On motion, Bro. C. F. Fields was requested to assist the clerk in preparing the minutes.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported as follows:

Brethren B. W. Ashley and J. N. Brooks preach to-night, Brethren I. T. Privett and F. T. Shore on to-morrow.

On motion, the report was received and committee discharged.

On motion, Rev. E. N. Gwyn report the acts of this Association to the *Recorder*.

On motion, we endorse Rev. F. T. Shore and Bro. C. F. Fields as volunteers to the Baptist State Convention.

Exhortation by Rev. S. P. Smith.

The committee on Resolutions submitted the following:

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the brethren and sisters and citizens of this community for their kind hospitality in supporting this Association.

W. W. Myers,
E. H. Brewer,
Committee.

On motion, adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. E. N. Gwyn.

A. E. MYERS, Moderator.

Felix Brewer, *Clerk.*

SABBATH MORNING.

October 2, 1881.

At an early hour a large congregation assembled at the arbor, when Rev. I. T. Privett preached a most earnest and feeling sermon. Text, Jude the 20th and 21st verses.

After an intermission of 30 minutes, the congregation assembled again at the stand, when Rev. F. T. Shore preached. Text, John 3d chap., 3d verse.

Thus passed off another session of the Elkin Association, and we trust some good has been accomplished for the Master's cause.

Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks and their P. O.	Delegates.	Exp'rie'ce	Rec. by L.	Restored.	Dis. by L.	Excluded.	Died.	Fellow-ship.	Minute Fund.	S. of pr'ng
Baptist Home,...	John Adams,....	W. W. Adams, Mulberry.....	A. Ellede, F. M. Adams, G. W. Adams,.....	5	2	...	1	...	...	54	$ 1 40	4
Center.....	J. Hughes,.....	N. McCan Roaring Gap,.....	J. Hughes, A. S. Gentry, D. J Roberts,.....	2	...	...	3	1	1	47	90	1
Cool Spring,.....	W. A. Myers,....	J. W. Fields, Elkin,.....	C. F. Fields, J. M. Gambill, J W. Fields,.....	4	2	...	3	1	4	267	3 39	2
Fishing Creek,...	S. P. Smith,.....	S. P. Smith, Wilkesborough,	S. P. Smith, A. Miller,.....	...	...	...	..	...	...	20	25	..
Dehart,.....	J. N. Brooks,....	W. W. Myers, Dockery,.....	W. W. Myers, J. Porter, J. Rhoads,.....	...	2	...	2	1	...	34	1 65	2
Gum Orchard....	S. F. Simmons,..	H C. Lassiter, Kapp's Mills,	A. Ellis, W. Melton, L. Collins,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	40	3
Long Creek,.....	J. Hughes,.....	A. J. Thompson, Good Spring,	J. Byrd, A. J. Thompson,	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	45	2
Macedonia,..	D. J. Roberts,..	G. C. Poplin, Elkin,.....	J. S. Poplin, J. Mastin, G. C. Poplin,.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	60	1
Mt. Pisgah,.....	B. W. Ashley....	F. Brewer, Dockery.....	F. Brewer, Wm. Gregrey, G. E. Myers,.....	1	...	...	1	2	...	50	77	1
Pleasant Home,	J. Hughes,...	W. F. Byrd, Elkin,.....	T. Byrd, J. R. Byrd, L. D. Burcham,.....	1	1	...	1	...	...	47	1 25	4
Rock Creek,.....	J. A. Jordan,.....	E. H. Brewer, R'nd Moun'in,	E. H. Brewer, F. A. Dowel, G. M. Woodruff,.....	2	3	...	1	1	2	82	1 47	4
Shady Grove,....	Milton McNeill,..	A. T. Pardew, Wilkesborough	J. L Pardew, R. F. Jarvis, A. T. Pardew,.....	...	1	...	...	...	...	16	40	2
Union Hill,.....	J. K. Franklin,..	J. P. Harris, Kapp's Mills,...	W. Harris,.....	2	...	...	...	...	...	17	35	4
White Plain,.....	J. Jordan,.....	D. R. Edwards, R. River,.....	D. R. Edwards, D. L. Thorpe, G. W. Jordan,..	4	...	1	...	...	1	125	65	3
				21	11	1	12	6	8	820	$13 93	..

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THE FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

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JOHN ADAMS,	Mulberry,	N. C.
G. W. ADAMS, *	"	"
B. W. ASHLEY,	Wilkesboro,	"
G. M. BURCHAM,	Elkin,	"
WM. F. BYRD, *	Byrd,	"
J. K. FRANKLIN,	Kapp's Mill,	"
WM. HARRIS,	" "	"
J. JORDAN,	Roaring River,	"
J. LYONS, *	Elkin,	"
A. E. MYERS,	Round Mt.,	"
W. H. PARDUE,	Jonesville,	"
D. J. ROBERTS,	Cherry Lane,	"
S. P. SMITH,	Wilkesboro,	"
S. F. SIMMONS,	Elkin,	"
J. T. TINSLY,	Mulberry,	"
A. J. WILLIAMS,	Kapp's Mill,	"

*Licentiates.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

Fishing Creek Church,
Friday, September 30th, 1882.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. D. J. Roberts; text, 1st Corinthians, 12: 27.

Adjourned thirty minutes for refreshments.

Afternoon Session.

The Association convened. Prayer by Rev. A. E. Myers.

Church letters received and read.

The body proceeded to the election of officers. J. M. Gambill was elected Moderator, and C. F. Field, Clerk.

Invited correspondents:—From Brier Creek, Rev. R. W. Wooten and Felix Parks; from Brushy Mountain, Rev. I. T. Prevette and A. M. Church.

Committees were appointed as follows:

On Arrangements.—Jacob Staly, R. F. Jarvis, W. F. Byrd, John Adams, A. E. Myers, with Moderator, Clerk and Correspondents.

On Finance.—D. R. Edwards, Felix Brewer.

" *Religious Exercises.*—J. S. Poplin, G. M. Woodruff, with pastor and delegates of this church.

On Missions.—R. W. Wooten, A. M. Church, D. J. Roberts.

" *Periodicals.*—C. F. Field, G. W. Adams.

" *Education.*—I. T. Prevette, A. T. Pardue.

" *Sunday Schools.*—S. P. Smith, Wm. Harris.

" *Obituaries*—F. M. Adams, S. Blackburn.

" *Temperance.*—C. F. Field, A. J. Williams.

" *Resolutions.*—A. Ellege, F. Brewer.

On motion, any member of this Association attending Yadkin, Brier Creek, New River and Brushy Mountain Associations, is requested to act as correspondent.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Revs A. J. Williams and Wm. Harris would preach to-night.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow 9 o'clock, a. m.

Prayer by Rev. Wm. Harris.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Saturday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. R. W. Wooten.

The Committee of Arrangements reported. The report was received and the committee discharged.

Preceding minutes read and approved.

The Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum were read, and the names of delegates announced.

Extended the invitation to correspondents: from Brushy Mountain, G. W. Greene, Linsy, Triplet, Thornton and Brown.

Treasurer reported:

Received from Committee on Finance		$13 93
Paid for printing Minutes	$11 00	
Paper and postage	35	
Retained on Treasurer's Fee	2 58	
Total		$13 93

Felix Brewer, Treasurer.

The Committee on Sunday Schools offered the following:

There is no department of the church work of greater importance than the Sunday School work. Some, indeed, have said it is the church at work. If this is true, then it is important that every member be actively engaged in the Sabbath School. But, alas, it is too true that the largest portion of our church members are taking no part in this work. We are glad to report that within the last year or two there has been a growing interest in this department; and, to be more successful in this work, we recommend that an evangelist be appointed to supervise the Sunday School work in this Association, and take up collections and aid and assist the churches in this great work, and report to next session.

S. P. Smith,
Wm. Harris.

On motion, appointed Rev. Wm. Harris S. S. Evangelist and colporter to sell books in this Association.

On motion, deferred the further consideration of the report until 9 o'clock, a. m., on Sabbath in the Sunday School Mass-Meeting.

The Committee on Missions offered the following:

The terms mission and missionary imply the sending forth the living ministry into regions destitute of the word of life, and we so use them in our short report. The domestic field will be considered our own land and country, and very strikingly claim our attention in prayers and contributions. With regard to Foreign Missions, every christian should pray and contribute to their support. God is wonderfully blessing this enterprise; but there are thousands of our race who never heard the name of Jesus. Is there a christian heart that .ests quietly and never does anything to give the gospel to the heathen? May God give us zeal

to take hold of this work and press it with our prayers and contributions, to the honor of his name.

R. W. WOOTEN,
A. M. CHURCH.

After remarks by Revs. G. W. Greene, I. T. Prevette and S. P. Smith, $5.63 were raised for Foreign Missions, and the report adopted.

On motion, adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev. R. W. Wooten; text, Proverbs, 11th chapter, 24th verse.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Association convened.

Extended the invitation to correspondents; from Brushy Mountain, Rev. Milton McNeal.

The Committee on Education offered the following:

The signs of the times indicate an increase in the spirit of education. The masses of the people are seeking higher educational opportunities. Let us beware lest we be left behind. Our children should be better educated than we. Each generation should improve on the last. Our children will soon take our places in church and State. Let us see that they are better prepared for their responsibilities than we. And if the people are to be educated, much more the ministry. The ministers are to teach the people. How can they teach those who know more than they themselves? All honor to the faithful men who have accomplished so much with limited educational advantages. But those who do as well as they have done must be better trained. Let us all do our whole duty in this direction.

I. T. PREVETTE,
A. T. PARDUE.

Remarks were submitted by Rev. G. W. Greene, and the report was adopted.

The Committee on Periodicals offered their report:

Your Committee on Periodicals are constrained to believe that a more general knowledge of our work as Baptists would have the tendency to awaken our people to a more faithful discharge of their duty. Therefore, we recommend the BIBLICAL RECORDER as a suitable paper for the masses and a necessity for Baptists. We think the RECORDER should be in every Baptist family; also *Kind Words* for the Sunday Schools, and *Foreign Mission Journal*, &c.

G. W. ADAMS.
C. F. FIELD.

Remarks were submitted by Bro. C. F. Field and Rev. I. T. Prevette, and the report adopted.

The Committee on Temperance reported:

Temperance is one of the fruits of the Spirit, and we are taught by the Word of

God, and have the assurance, that if we train up a child in the way he should go in mature age he will not depart from it. From the evils of intemperance we would upon all the members of our churches to abstain, believing it to be one of the greatest curses to the human family. When we look at our prisons and see them filled with felons, and look at our alms houses and see them filled with orphans and paupers, and see families once prosperous and happy brought to degradation, we inquire of them why is all this? And you can trace nine-tenths of this to intemperance. Is that all? No! If we could but look into eternity and see those who are in the regions of despair from its use, it would be enough to make our hearts sink within us, and cause us to stamp our foot upon it. Let us as a denomination let our lights shine and pledge ourselves to work for its exclusion from our midst.

C. F. FIELD,
A. J. WILLIAMS.

Remarks by Rev. I. T. Prevette, and the report adopted.

The Committee on Finance reported $11.35.

On motion, next session will convene with Gum Orchard Church, Surry county, N. C., on Friday before the first Sabbath in October, 1883, Rev. G. M. Burcham to preach the annual sermon; Wm. Harris, alternate.

The Clerk was instructed to have 250 copies of the minutes printed, and be allowed $4.00 for his services.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Revs. A. E. Myers and D. J. Roberts would preach to-night.

The Committee on Resolutions reported: *Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to the brethren, sisters and citizens of this vicinity for their kind hospitality in supporting this Association.

F. BREWER,
A. ELLEDGE.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next session.

Prayer by Rev. Milton McNeal.

J. M. GAMBILL, Moderator.

C. F. FIELD, Clerk.

SABBATH.

At an early hour the congregation assembled. Spent an hour in Sunday School Mass-Meeting. Speeches were made C. F. Field, D. J. Roberts, R. F. Jarvis, A. E. Myers, W. F. Byrd and I. T. Prevette.

At 11 o'clock, A. M., Rev. Milton McNeal preached an earnest sermon. Text: Rom. 1: 16. D. J. Roberts followed with an exhortation.

Collection was made for missions amounting to $4.15.

At 1 P. M. Rev. R. W. Wooten preached. Text: "For we are not ignorant of his devices." The preaching was such as God delights to bless, and much good was accomplished for the Master. CLERK.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Post Office.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Delegates.	By Baptism.	By Letter.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Number.	Sabbaths.	Minute Fund.
Baptist Home,	Mulberry	John Anams	W. W. Adams	A. Elledge, G. W. Adams. F. M. Adams	1	..	..	..	..	55	4	$ 1 65
Centre,	Roaring Gap	Wm. Harris	N. McCann	J. R. McCann	..	..	7	..	..	43	1	85
Cool Spring,	Elkin	W. A. Myers	J. W. Field	C. F. Fields, J M Gambill,	2	3	6	..	..	266	2	2 68
Fishing Creek,	Wilkesboro	I. T. Prevette	S. P. Smith	S. P. Smith, A. Miller, E. Miller	4	3	..	..	..	27	2	30
Gum Orchard,	Kapp's Mill	D. J. Roberts	J. Smith	J. Smith	..	..	..	..	..	28	2	65
Long Creek,	Good Spring	.....	A. J. Thompson.	Not represented								
Macedonia,	Elkin	D. J. Roberts.	G. C. Poplin	J. S. Poplin, J. Masten	8	3	..	..	..	25	1	90
Mount Pisgah,	Dockery	D. J. Roberts	F. Brewer	Jacob Staly, F. Brewer, G. E. Myers	..	..	2	..	..	48	4	75
Pleasant Home,	Byrd	G. M. Burcham	W. F. Byrd	W. F. Byrd, H. Cockerham, A. Jolly	2	..	1	..	..	47	4	1 20
Rock Creek,	Round Mountain.	A. E. Myers	S. Blackburn	G. M. Woodruff, S. Blackburn, J. Blackburn	..	..	5	..	1	74	2	90
Shady Grove,	Wilkesboro	M. McNeal	A. T. Pardue	R. F. Jarvis, A. T. Pardue,	1	..	..	..	1	16	2	50
Union Hill,	Kapp's Mill	Wm. Harris	J. P. Harris	Wm. Harris, J. E. Vestal.	..	..	..	1	..	15	..	35
White Plain,	Roaring River	I. N. Hanes	D. R. Edwards	D. R. Edwards, D. L. Thorpe, A. Joyner	1	1	1	..	1	123	3	50
Total					18	10	22	1	3	767	..	$11 35

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

Gum Orchard Church, Surry Co., N. C.,

COMMENCING ON

Friday before the First Sabbath in October, 1883.

REV. D J. ROBERTS, MODERATOR, ... Cherry Lane, N. C.
FELIX BREWER, CLERK AND TREASURER, ... York, "

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List of Ministers.

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B. W. ASHLEY,	Wilkesboro,	"
G. M. BURCHAM,	Elkin,	"
WM. F. BYRD,	Byrd,	"
J K. FRANKLIN,	Kapp's Mill,	"
J. JORDAN,	Roaring River,	"
*J. LYONS,	Elkin,	"
A E MYERS,	Round Mount'n,	"
W. H. PARDUE,	Jonesville,	"
D J. ROBERTS,	Cherry Lane,	"
S F. SIMMONS,	Elkin,	"
A. J. WILLIAMS,	Kapp's Mill,	"
WM HARRIS,	" "	"
B. WOODRUFF,	Elkin,	"
*J. F. MASTIN,	"	"
*JAMES SETLEF,	"	"

*Licentiates.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

Gum Orchard Church,
Friday, October 5th, 1883.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. G. M. Burcham: text, Hebrews 10: 23.

Adjourned thirty minutes for refreshments.

Afternoon Session.

The Association convened. Prayer by Rev. A. E. Myers.

Church letters received and read.

The body, by motion, agreed for the Clerk to be Treasurer.

On motion, proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the election of Rev. D. J. Roberts, Moderator, and Felix Brewer, Clerk.

Then proceeded to business: 1st. Called for correspondents; 2nd. Invited transient ministers; 3rd. An invitation to newly constituted churches desiring to unite with this body was given.

On motion, the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this session.

Committees were appointed as follows:

On Arrangements—G. M. Burcham, A. E. Myers, C. F. Fields, D. R. Edwards, Rev. John Adams, with Moderator, Clerk and correspondents.

On Finance—J. C. Harp, J. M. Gambill.

On Religious Exercises—T. Byrd, G. C. Poplin, with Moderator and delegates of this church.

On Missions—A. T. Pardue and W. F. Byrd.

On Periodicals—J. K. Franklin and S. Blackborn.

On Education—Rev. John Adams and A. T. Pardue.

On Sabbath Schools—G. M. Burcham and W. H. Melton.

On Special Changes—D. R. Edwards and A. E. Myers.

On Temperance—J. M. Gambill and J. Staley.

On Time and Place—A. Ellege, W. F. Byrd and J. Staley.

On Resolutions—G. M. Woodruff and E. H. Parkes.

On motion, the word Obituaries was dropped and in lieu thereof use Special Changes.

On motion, we have a committee on Time and Place.

Called on Correspondents to sister Associations to report.

Rev. G. M. Burcham, C. F. Fields, W. F. Byrd, T. Byrd, F. Brewer and J. Jordan attended the Brier Creek; G. M. Burcham attended the Yadkin.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported J. K. Franklin and A. T. Pardue to preach to-night.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock, a. m.

Prayer by Rev. John Adams.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, Oct. 6th, 1883.

The Association convened at 9 o'clock a. m. Prayer by Rev. D. J. Roberts.

On motion, the committee on Arrangements reported.

The report was received and the committee discharged.

Preceding minutes read and approved.

The Constitution, Articles of Faith, and Rules of Decorum were read.

The names of delegates were announced as follows:

Baptist Home—A. Ellege, T. C. Ellege, D M. Hayes.
Cool Spring—C. F. Fields, J. M Gambill, J. C. Harp.
Centre—J. A. McCan, H. T. Gentry, J. R. McCan.
Fishing Creek—A. Miller, F. Foster, E. Miller.
Gum Orchard—E. D Smith, W. H. Melton, J. F. Smith.
Long Creek—A. J. Thompson, P. A. Caudill, J. Leffmon.
Macedonia—G. C. Poplin, S. A. Mastin, C. J. Durham.
Mt. Pisgah—F. Brewer, J. Staley, G. E. Myers.
Pleasant Home—T. Byrd, W. F. Byrd, J. H. Dimit.
Rock Creek—F. A. Dowell, S. Blackborn, G. M. Woodruff.
Shady Grove—A. T. Pardue, J. L. Pardue, F. P. Fox.
Union Hill—Wm. Gelly, E. Vestel, J. R. Holcom.
White Plain—D. R. Edwards, D. L. Tharp, E. H. Parkes.

Bxtended an invitation to correspondents.

K. Thompson, from the Yadkin Association, accepted a seat, and aided in council.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from Committee on Finance		$11 35
Collection on Saturday		5 63
Collection on Sunday		4 15
Total		$21 13
Paid out as follows:		
For printing Minutes	$ 7 50	
To Foreign Missions	9 78	
For Paper and Postage	35	
My own fee	3 50	
Total		$21 13

C. F. FIELDS, Treasurer.

Answers to queries from Pleasant Home church, after remarks by Rev. G. M. Burcham, B. Woodruff and J. Adams, were made as follows: 1st. Is it right for Baptists to commune with the Methodists? Ans. No. 2nd. What shall be done with a minister who communes with the Methodists and assists in administering the ordinance? Ans. First admonish him; after the first and second admonition, reject him as a heretic.

Committee on Periodicals submitted the following report:

Your committee on Periodicals are constrained to believe that a more general knowledge of our work as Baptists would have the tendency to awaken our people to a more faithful discharge of their duty. Therefore we recommend the BIBLICAL RECORDER as a suitable paper for the masses and a necessity for Baptists. We think the RECORDER should be in every Baptist family. Also, *Kind Words* for Sabbath Schools, and *Foreign Mission Journal.* We also recommend the Baptist Hymn-Book in every church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. K. FRANKLIN,
SPENCER BLACKBORN.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The committee on Temperance reported:

We find Temperance is one of the Christian graces commended in the word of God. An inspired apostle, while addressing a heathen governor, reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and a judgment to come. And, whereas, we consider the making, vending, and using alcoholic liquors as common beverages as constituting one of the greatest evils that ever blighted any nation.

Resolved, That we advise the churches composing this body to use all lawful and Scriptural means within their power to induce their members to desist from the practice above indicated, as being derogatory to christian character. Respectfully submitted,

J. STALEY,
J. M. GAMBILL.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The committee on Education offered the following:

Fifty years ago education in North Carolina was at a low ebb. It is true there were academies and what we term old field school houses scattered here and there over the State, seated in the corner of which was the schoolmaster, with his ferule and bunch of roasted hickories, which, ever and anon, were applied to the backs of mischievous urchins who were sent to school to keep them out of mischief at home. It was rare then to see a young man who aspired to anything in books beyond Webster's Spelling-Book and Pike's old Arithmetic. It was then that the general idea prevailed, " where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise." Now survey the situation. Fifty years have rolled away, and with them those old fossil ideas, and in their stead new views and grand emotions have actuated the human heart to great enterprises and noble deeds. Colleges and high schools have sprung up, from the mountains to the sea, from whose doors annually ascend great moral lights--men whose minds trained and educated shine out with splendor and illuminate this world of ours. The discoveries in science have surpassed the most unreasonable imagination of our fathers, and the physical world revolutionized. The moral as well as the physical world has shared in this great victory. The religious press, handled by educated men, is sending forth the Bible and good books and papers all over the world to keep pace with the movements of the age, that the Gospel may be carried to every corner of the world. Let us exhort the brethren of this Association to do all they can to push on this glorious cause.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN ADAMS,
A. T. PARDUE.

Remarks by K. Thompson.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The committee on Sabbath Schools offered the following:

We, your committee on Sabbath Schools, beg leave to re

port that in this Association there were six schools, with 28 teachers and 282 scholars. We regret that there were so few schools, for we regard the Sabbath school as the plant-bed of the church. Therefore, let us endeavor to sow the seed. Gray hairs are an ornament to any Sabbath school.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. BURCHAM,
W. H. MELTON.

Remarks by G. M. Burcham, J. K Franklin, and K. Thompson.

On motion, the report was adopted

The committee on Finance reported:

Received from the churches $12 90

The report was received and the committee discharged.

The committee on Missions submitted their report:

The term mission implies a sending forth of the Gospel into the destitute parts of the world. We find that Jesus Christ was sent into the world on a mission to preach his own everlasting Gospel, and before he had ended his work he called men to follow him, and he gave unto them a commission to extend the work of preaching the Gospel, and his commission was without bounds. It extended into all the world, and let us persevere in this great work of carrying out the great commission given in Matthew 28: 19, 20, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

Respectfully submitted by your committee,

A. T. PARDUE,
W. F. BYRD.

Remarks by W. F. Byrd, D. J. Roberts and G. M. Burcham.

On motion, the report was adopted.

A collection was then taken for missions amounting to $4.26.

The committee on Special Changes submitted their report:

We, your committee, can not make our report in proper form at present, as we can not ascertain the particulars of the death of Rev. S. P. Smith. We ask the Association for time to make out the report and send it to the Clerk.

D. R. EDWARDS,
A. E MYERS.

On motion, the request was granted.

[I, your Clerk, have waited for this report until November 30th, and have not received it. I hope the Association will excuse me on account of the minutes being late, as I was waiting for this report. F. BREWER.]

Committee on Time and Place reported: Place, Centre Church; time, Thursday before the first Sabbath in October, 1884. Rev. A. E. Myers to preach the Annual Sermon.

H. ELLEGE,
W. F. BYRD,
J. STALEY.

On motion, allowed the Clerk $4.00 for his services, and the balance for printing minutes.

On motion, appointed correspondents as follows:

To Brier Creek—C. F. Fields, G. M. Burcham.

To Brushy Mountain—C. F. Fields.

To the Yadkin—G. M. Burcham, C. F. Fields, T. Ray, A. J. Williams.

To the New River—W. F. Byrd, A. E. Myers, F. Brewer.

The committee on Missions suggested that the collection for missions be applied to State Missions.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported Rev. John Adams to preach to-night.

Committee on Resolutions submitted the following:

Resolved, That this body tender their sincere thanks to the brethren and citizens of this community for supporting this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. WOODRUFF,
E. H. PARKES.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next session.

Prayer by Rev. K. Thompson. Benediction by the Moderator. D. J. ROBERTS. MODERATOR.

F. BREWER, *Clerk.*

SABBATH.

Met at 10 o'clock. Rev. G. M. Burcham preached first. Text, Songs of Solomon 8: 10. 2nd. Rev. Wm. Harris; text, 2 Cor. 3: 9. Then adjourned one hour for refreshments.

AFTERNOON.

1st. W. F. Byrd preached; text, Mark 8: 34. 2nd. J. K. Franklin; text, Matthew 8: 11. We trust much good was accomplished for the Master. CLERK.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICE.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Males.	Females.	No. Attended S. School.	Total.	Associational Fund.	Sabbath of Preaching.
Baptist Home,...	John Adams,....	W. C. Hayes,....	Mulberry.....	..	..	..	1	15	..	....	....	....	40	$ 1 00	1
Centre, ...	Wm. Harris, ...	Newton McCan,	Roaring Gap.....	3	..	..	..	..	1	17	27	41	44	1 30	1
Cool Spring,.....	W. A. Myers,....	J. W. Fields,....	Byrd.....	12	1	..	5	3	1	...	....	....	270	2 90	2
Fishing Creek,...	Milton McNeill,..	Not given,.	Wilkesboro.....	6	..	1	..	..	2	....	...	....	23	25	2
Gum Orchard,...	D. J. Roberts,...	A. J. Williams, ..	Kapp's Mills.....	3	..	..	2	1	..	8	18	65	26	60	2
Long Creek,.....	A. J. Williams,..	A. J. Thompson..	Kapp's Mills.....	3	3	..	1	..	..	5	8	53	13	40	3
Macedonia.	D. J. Roberts,...	G. C. Poplin,....	Elkin.....	5	11	1	4	..	..	18	21	44	39	1 20	1
Mt. Pisgah,.....	D J. Roberts,...	Felix Brewer,....	York.....	4	..	1	2	..	..	17	33	58	50	90	4
Pleasant Home,..	G. M. Burcham,.	W. F. Byrd,.....	Byrd.....	11	6	..	..	..	1	23	39	51	62	1 50	4
Rock Creek,.....	A. E. Myers,....	S. Blackborn,....	Round Mountain..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	49	....	72	1 30	2
Shady Grove,....	Milton McNeill...	A. T. Pardue,...	Wilkesboro	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	9	...	16	50	2
Union Hill,.....	Wm. Harris,....	J. P. Harris, ...	Kapp's Mills.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	8	....	15	50	4
White Plain,. ...	D. J. Roberts,...	D. R. Edwards,..	Roaring River....	..	..	..	6	..	2	26	54	....	80	75	3
Total, ...	.....	.....	.....	47	21	3	21	19	7	151	266	312	750	$13 10	

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

Center Church, Wilkes County, N. C.,

Commencing on Thursday before the first Sabbath in October, 1884.

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G. M. BURCHAM, MODERATOR, ... Elkin, N. C.
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John Adams,	Mulberry,	N. C.
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W. F Byrd,	Byrd,	"
J. K. Franklin,	Kapps' Mill,	"
J. A Jordan,	Roaring River,	"
*J. Lyons,	Elkin,	"
A. E. Myers,	Round Mountain,	"
W. H. Pardew,	Jonesville,	"
A. T. Pardew,	Wilkesboro,	"
D. J. Roberts,	Cherry Lane,	"
S. F Simmons	Elkin,	"
A. J. Williams,	Kapps' Mill,	"
Wm. Harris,	Kapps' Mill,	"
*J. F. Mastin,	Elkin,	"
*J. F. Settle,	Elkin,	"
*E. A. Soots,	Round Mountain,	"
*John Holbrook,	Round Mountain,	"
*Wm. Burchett,	Round Mountain,	"
*Perry Byrd,	Roaring River,	"
*G. W. Jordan,	Burcham,	"

*Licentiates.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

Center Church, Thursday, October 2d, 1884.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. A. E. Myers. Text, Matthew xiv: 17, 18 and 19. Adjourned thirty minutes for refreshment.

Afternoon Session.

The Association convened. Prayer by Rev. D. J. Roberts. Church letters read. On motion, proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the election of Rev. G. M. Burcham, Moderator, and D. R. Edwards, Clerk.

Then proceeded to business. 1st. Called for correspondents. 2d. Invited transient ministers. 3d. An invitation to newly constituted churches desiring to unite with this body was given, and responded to by Mt. Carmel and Shoaly Branch.

On motion, the Moderator make all necessary appointments during this session.

Committees were appointed as follows:

On Arrangements—D. J. Roberts, C. F. Fields, J. T. Edwards, A. E. Myers, J. M. Gambill, with Moderator, Clerk and Correspondents.

On Finance—G C. Poplin, W. F. Byrd.

On Religious Exercises—T. Byrd, J. H. Dimmette, with Moderator and Delegates of this Church.

On Periodicals—J. M. Jordan, N. J. Walls.

On Education—A. A. Parks, L H. Carter.

On Sabbath Schools—C. P. McCann, E. A. Soots.

On Special Changes—Isham Burchett, W. A. Tharp.

On Temperance—William Harris, James Brindle.

On Time and Place—Jacob Staley, J. R. McCann.

After remarks by J. A. Jordan, D. J. Roberts, G. M. Burcham, W. M. Hall, proceeded to appoint a Building Committee as follows: F. Brewer, D. R. Edwards, C. F. Fields, J. T. Edwards, A. A. Parks.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported—Rev. J. A.

Jordan and W. F. Byrd, to preach to-night, and G. M. Burcham to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. W. M. Hall.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

9 O'CLOCK A. M.

Prayer by the Moderator.

Called on Committee of Arrangements to report. Report received and committee discharged. Preceding minutes read and approved. Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum were read.

The names of delegates were announced as follows:

Baptist Home—

Center—A. A. Parks, J. R. McCann, J. A. McCann.

Cool Spring—C. F. Fields, J. M. Gambill, N. J. Walls.

Fishing Creek—A. Miller.

Gum Orchard—J. F. Smith, Levi Collins, E. D. Smith.

Long Creek—R. H. Hutchins, J. Luffman, P. C. Caudill.

Macedonia—G. C. Poplin, J. T. Edwards, P. Shore.

Mt. Carmel—J. M. Jordan, C. P. McCann, J. F. Rash.

Mt. Pisgah—J. Staley, F. Brewer, G. E. Myers.

Pleasant Home—T. Byrd, J. H. Dimmette, I. Burchett.

Rock Creek—A. E. Myers, G. M. Woodruff, E. A. Soots.

Shady Grove—A. T. Pardew, J. L Pardew.

Shoaly Branch—L. H. Carter, J. F. Brindle, R. Spencer.

Union Hill—J. Holcomb, J. P. Harris.

White Plain—D. R. Edwards, W. A. Tharp.

Speeches were made on the Articles of Faith by Revs. J. A. Jordan and W. M. Hall.

Committee appointed on Pastoral and Church Relations as follows: C. F. Fields, W. M. Hall, A. T. Pardew.

It was moved and seconded that a standing committee be appointed for the year; the Moderator then announced the present committee for the year.

Extended an invitation to correspondents, when J. Hudson accepted a seat from the Briar Creek Association. Gave an invitation to visiting brethren. Rev. W. M. Hall accepted a seat.

Committee on Temperance submitted the following report: Your committee recommend that all the Churches abstain from all intoxicating liquors, or strong drink, or a

beverage, as it is one of the great evils of the day and is forbidden in God's Word. We think it would be advisable to abstain from its use as an example for the rising generation in all time to come.

Respectfully submitted,

W. HARRIS,
J. T. BRINDLE.

Remarks by Rev. W. Harris, W. M. Hall, J. A. Jordan. On motion, the report was adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Burcham's text—Hosea viii: 12.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported: A. T. Pardew and A. J. Williams to preach to-night; W. J. Combs, W. M. Hall to morrow morning, commencing at 11 o'clock.

Call on Committee on Sunday Schools to report. Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to report: There has been a growth in Sabbath School interest in this Association. We regret that there were so many churches that did not report any Sabbath School. We regard the Sabbath School as the church at work. We recommend that all our churches have evergreen schools this year, and that they report the same at the next Association.

Respectfully,

C. P. McCANN,
E. A. SOOTS.

Remarks by D. J. Roberts and W. J. Combs.

On motion, suspended the further discussion of the Sabbath School report and appointed Rev. W. J. Combs, W. M. Hall, A. T. Pardew, W. Harris and D. J. Roberts to make speeches on Sunday morning in Sunday School mass meeting.

Called on Committee on Periodicals to report. We, your Committee on Periodicals, report the following: Periodical literature is essential to the proper instruction of our people. We need the BIBLICAL RECORDER to secure this result. It is beneficial to the farmer, the parent and child, and informs us of the general work of the church at home and abroad.

J. M. JORDAN,
N. J. WALLS,
Committee.

Remarks by C. F. Fields and W. M. Hall. Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Education offered the following report: Your committee will recommend a thorough education of the rising generation; 1st, for the upbuilding of society, morally as well as religiously; 2d, that the young people be educated beyond that of our fathers, that they may be able to read and understand what they read, and be better able to defend the truth; 3d, that we believe in a thorough educated ministry, that they may be enabled to propagate the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; 4th, that we recommend the churches of the Elkin Association that they use all their energy that is possible to accomplish this grand work. It is a stated fact that there is one hundred and twenty thousand white Baptists in the State of North Carolina and seventy thousand colored Baptists, and at least three-fourths are uneducated.

A. A. PARKS,
L. H. CARTER,
Committee.

Remarks by the Moderator and W. M. Hall. Report adopted and Committee discharged for the present.

Adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock. Benediction by the Moderator.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

9 O'CLOCK A. M.

Prayer by Rev. A. E. Myers.

Preceding minutes read and approved.

The Committee on Special Changes offered the following tribute of respect:

WHEAREAS, Our beloved Brother, Richard O. Carter, died June 4th, 1884. Brother Carter was born Nov. 5th, 1850. Aged 33 years and 7 months. He was a consistent member of the Baptist Church for fifteen years, and was ordained a Deacon when Shoaly Branch was constituted, and filled that office until his death. The Church sustains great loss in the death of Brother Carter. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn their loss.

1st. *Resolved*, That we sympathize with the widow and children, and that a copy of this be tendered them.

2d. *Resolved*, That this be spread on our Church book.

3d. *Resolved*, That this be sent to the RECORDER for publication.

This done and adopted by Shoaly Branch Church.

The Committee on Building Purposes offered the following report:

Your Committee organized by appointing F. Brewer, Chairman; C. F. Fields, Secretary, and A. A. Parks, Treasurer. We appointed our first meeting at Pleasant Home Church the fourth Saturday in December, 1884. There are several Churches in our Association that need help. We do earnestly request all the members of our Churches to help in this grand work. We recommend that we take up a collection to-day and to-morrow for this purpose.

Respectfully,

FELIX BREWER, Ch'm.

Remarks by W. M. Hall, D. J. Roberts, W. J. Combs.

Then took up a collection and received in cash and pledges one hundred and thirty-two dollars and seventy-five cents.

Called on correspondents to sister Associations to report: C F. Fields attended the Briar Creek Association.

Appointed correspondents as follows:

To Briar Creek—C. F. Fields, A. E. Myers, W. A. Tharp, E. A. Soots.

To the Yadkin—G. M. Burcham, C. F. Fields, L. H. Carter, R. H. Hutchins.

To the Brushy Mountain—D. J. Roberts, A. T. Pardew, J. L. Pardew, D. R. Edwards.

To the New River—D. J. Roberts, G. M. Burcham, W. F. Byrd, N. J. Walls.

To the Convention in Alleghany—G. M. Burcham, D. J. Roberts, L. H. Carter, W. F. Byrd, C. P. McCann, A. E. Myers.

On motion, any Brother attending the sister Associations be recognized as a correspondent.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from Finance Committee,		$13 10
Collection on Saturday,		4 26
Total,		$17 36
Paid out as follows:		
For printing Minutes,	$ 9 10	
To State Missions,	4 00	
For paper and postage,	44	
Retained on my own fees,	3 82	
Total,		$17 36

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Building Committee correspond with the Building Committee of the State.

Adjourned for preaching. Rev. W. M. Hall's text—2d Kings, vi: 16. Comb's text—Isaiah xxviii: 16.

On motion, appointed a Committee to visit the Primitive Association as follows: G. M. Burcham, D. J. Roberts, D. R. Edwards, Felix Brewer, C. F. Fields.

Committee on Finance reported:

Received from Committee on Finance, $14.40.

Report received.

Committee on Time and place reported: Place, Macedonia Church; time, Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1885.

J. STALEY,
J. R. MCCANN,
Committee.

Report adopted as amended.

On motion, allowed the Clerk $4.00 for his services, and the balance to be applied to the printing of the Minutes.

Rev. W. F. Byrd was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, A. T. Pardew alternate.

Committee on Resolutions offered the following report:

Resolved, That our thanks are due the brethren, sisters and citizens of this vicinity for their kind hospitality in supporting this Association.

Respectfully,

ROBERT SPENCER,
C. P. HARRIS.

Report received and adopted.

Called for miscellany.

The Mt. Pisgah Church was advised to write after Brother B. W. Ashley and find out his whereabouts, for the satisfaction of the Association.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next session.

Prayer by Rev. W. M. Hall. Benediction by the Moderator.

G. M. BURCHAM, MODERATOR.

D. R. EDWARDS, *Clerk.*

SABBATH.

Met on Sunday morning in Sabbath School mass meeting. Services opened by singing and prayer—conducted by Rev. A. E. Myers.

First address by Rev. D. J. Roberts.

Second address by Rev. W. M. Hall.

Third address by Rev. W. J. Combs.

Fourth address by Mr. J. A. J. Bauguess.

Then adjourned for preaching.

W. J. Combs preached a very interesting sermon. Text—Genesis 42d chapter and a part of the 2d verse.

We trust much good was accomplished for the Master's cause and for the advancement of His kingdom here on earth.

CLERK.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Rec'd by Baptism.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Rec'd by Applic'n.	Dis'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	No. of Members.	No. attended S. S.	Association Fund.	Time of Preaching.
Baptist Home,	Not represented,												
Center,	Wm. Harris,	J. A. McConn, Parks,	2	2			2		1	44			1st
Cool Spring,	W. A. Myers,	N. J. Walls, Elkin,	8	1			55	2	2	188			2d
Fishing Creek,	Milton McNeil,	Not known,	4					1	1	23	52		1st
Gum Orchard,	J. K. Franklin,	E. D. Smith, Kapps' Mill,		2			2	1	1	25		40	2d
Long Creek,	A. J. Williams,	A. J. Thompson, Good Spring,	2	2				1		17	40	35	3d
Macedonia,	D. J. Roberts,	G. C. Poplin, Elkin,	6	1	1		2	1		44		85	1st
Mt. Pisgah,	D. J. Roberts,	Felix Brewer, York,	2				3			49		1 05	1st
Mt. Carmel,	J. A. Jordan,	J. M. Jordan, Cherry Lane,								9		80	4th
Pleasant Home,	G. M. Burcham,	W. F. Byrd, Byrd,	12				2	1	1	71		1 30	4th
Rock Creek,	A. E. Myers,	S. Blackburn, Round Mountain,	35	10	2	6	1	4		120		1 45	2d
Shady Grove,	Milton McNeil,	A. T. Pardew, Wilksboro,	11	3			1			26	24	50	2d
Shoaly Branch,	G. M. Burcham,	L. H. Carter, Ozark,							2	37	73	1 75	3d
Union Hill,	A. J. Williams,	J. B. Harris, Kapps' Mill,	2							17		20	4th
White Plane,	D. J. Roberts,	D. R. Edwards, Roaring River,	10	5						86		85	3d
			94	26	3	6	68	11	8	756	179	9 50	

The total amount of Minute Fund received at the Association was $14 40.

I, your Clerk, could not make the Statistical Table as full as I wished on account of some of the Church Letters not giving the amount of the Minute Fund, and also the number of males and females. They just gave the total number of members of the Churches.

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J. F. Settle*.....Byrd, "

*Licentiates.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

The Elkin Association met in its seventh annual session The delegates and visiting brethren met at 11 a. m. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. W. F. Byrd, the appointee. Text: Matthew, third verse of the seventh chapter.

Adjourned twenty minutes for refreshments.

Met in the house according to adjournment. Singing and prayer by the Moderator.

The church letters were presented and read. The Association then proceeded to the election of Moderator and Clerk, which resulted in the election of Rev. G. M. Burcham Moderator, and D. R. Edwards Clerk.

Then proceeded to business.

On motion, invited correspondents of sister Associations to seats with us.

From Brier Creek—J. W. Burcham, Revs. W. A. Myers, R. W. Wooten, and brethren Felix Parks, J. H. Foote, Joel Dimette, J. I. Dimette.

From Brushy Mountain—Rev. Milton McNeill.

Rev. C. J. Woodson, of Virginia, accepted a seat as a visiting brother; C. S Myers and J. P. Eledge accepted seats from the Primitive Association, and Rev. W. B. Woodruff from Yadkin Association.

On motion, extended an invitation to newly constituted churches, which was responded to by Poplar Springs, which was received, and the delegates enrolled.

On motion, appointed the usual committees.

On Arrangements—A. T. Pardew, W. F. Byrd, N. J. Wall, A. E. Myers, J. M. Gambill.

On Finance—W. T. Ray, C. F. Fields.

On Religious Exercises—L. H. Carter, with the pastor and delegates of this church.

On Periodicals—J. T. Edwards, P. H. Pardew.

On Education—R. C. Billings, J. A. Brewer.

On Sunday Schools—A. E. Myers, G. W. Jordan, Sr.

On Special Changes—H. J. Steelman, W. R. Simmons.
On Temperance—J. W. Burchett, C. J. Woodson.
On Time and Place—C. P. McConn, Jacob Staley.

On motion, appointed a Committee on Missions, to-wit: C. F. Fields, W. F. Byrd.

Appointed on Resolutions—Henry Lasiter, C. J. Durham.

On motion, meet at 9 o'clock a. m., adjourn at 11 a. m. for preaching; meet at 1 p. m., adjourn at will.

Called on correspondents to report. C. F. Fields, A. E. Myers, J. M. Gambill, L. H. Carter, G. M. Burcham, attended the Brier Creek Association; brethren G. M. Burcham and L. H. Carter attended the Yadkin; Rev. A. T. Pardew attended the Brushy Mountain.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported A. T. Pardew to preach to-night, and A. E. Myers to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

On motion, adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. C. J. Woodson. Benediction by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Services opened by singing, by the Moderator, and prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers.

On motion, the Committee of Arrangements report. Report received and adopted.

Preceding minutes read and approved.

Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum read.

Announced the names of delegates, as follows:

Baptist Home—A. Eledge, W. B. Eledge, B. F. Eledge.
Center—J. A. McCann, A. C. Phillips, H. S. Gentry.
Cool Springs—J. M. Gambill, C. F. Fields, N. J. Wall.
Fishing Creek—Not represented.
Gum Orchard—E. D. Smith, H. C. Lasiter.
Long Creek—P. A. Caudill.
Macedonia—J. T. Edwards, C. J. Durham, A. L. Adams.
Mt. Pisgah—Jacob Staley, R. C. Billings.
Mt. Carmel—C. P. McCann, J. M. Jordan.
Pleasant Home—W. F. Byrd, W. Jolly, J. R. Byrd.
Poplar Springs—W. T. Ray, W. J. West.
Rock Creek—G. M. Woodruff, J. A. Brewer, E. A. Soots.
Shady Grove—H. J. Steelman, A. T. Pardew, P. H. Pardew.
Shoaly Branch—L. H. Carter, W. R. Simmons, D. Carter.
Union Hill—James Holcomb.
White Plain—D. R. Edwards, G. G. McBride, G. W. Jordan, Sr.

On motion, it was ordered that our Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum, be reprinted.

Called on Committee on Sunday Schools to report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools is sorry that there were so few schools reported this time. We would advise all our churches to be more diligent in the Sabbath School work in the future.

Respectfully, A. E MYERS,
G. W. JORDAN.

Remarks by Rev. C. J. Woodson, W. F. Byrd, D. J. Roberts and Major J. H. Foote.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev. A. E. Myers. Text: Second Timothy, third chapter and 16th and 17th verses.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

On motion, the report on Education was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion, speeches were limited to fifteen minutes.

Committee on Special Changes offered their report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL CHANGES.

Brethren, we, your Committee on Special Changes, report no changes this year. We are proud that God has blessed us so bountifully, and let us work for Jesus and his blessed cause for the next year, and all through this troublesome life.

Respectfully, H. J. STEELMAN,
W. R. SIMMONS.

Called on Committee on Pastoral and Church Relations to report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION.

The word "Pastor" means Shepherd—apt to teach; giving attention to reading, exhortation and to prayer; showing by his conversation and deportment, and making full proof of his ministry, are emblems of the pastoral calling.

The pastor, as was said to Peter, is to "feed the lambs." The lambs are those who are newly converted to Christ.

The pastor is also to feed the sheep—that is, the older members of the church. The pastor, then, should be consecrated and Bible read,

so that he may be able to give every member of his flock meat in due season. The duty of the church to the pastor is to loose him to the full work of the ministry. The laws of the land enjoin that their officers shall be amply compensated, and the Apostle says: "It is ordained that they which preach the gospel shall live of the gospel." The man who preaches for money is unfit for a pastor. It is also the duty of the church to respect, to love, and to pray for their pastor.

Much of the safety and success of our churches in the future depend on this important mutual relation. We should study God's word more and more on this important subject. Especial attention is directed to 1st Corinthians and 9th chapter.

C. F. FIELDS,
A. T. PARDEW,
Committee

Remarks by Rev. W. A. Myers, Milton McNeill, C. F. Fields, C. J. Woodson and the Moderator.

The Committee on Periodicals submitted their report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

Writing makes the scholar perfect; speaking makes him ready; but reading makes the man intelligent and useful. The world is full of newspapers—some good, many bad. In making many books there is no end, says the wise man. People will read. All should read, but we should all be careful what we do read. As Baptists, we should read the BIBLICAL RECORDER, published at Raleigh, by brother C. T. Bailey. This is the organ of the Baptists of the State, and sets forth the doctrines as we believe them. Also, the *Religious Herald*, published at Richmond, Va. Also, the *Tennessee Baptist*, published by J. R. Graves, at Memphis, Tennessee; the *Blue Ridge Baptist*, published at Hendersonville, N. C.

Your Committee would also recommend everybody to read a book just published, called "The Story of the Baptist," which tells in a most startling manner the history of our ancestors. These publications ought to be read and circulated throughout this entire Association, so that our people may be informed of the great and grand principles upon which we stand. Every Baptist should read and study them, so that he may be able to maintain and defend the Old Landmark. Respectfully submitted,

P. H. PARDEW,
J. T. EDWARDS,
Committee.

Remarks by C. F. Fields, W. A. Myers, J. H. Foote.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Called on Treasurer to report.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Received from Finance Committee	$14 40
Paid out as follows:	
For printing Minutes	$10 15
For paper and postage	25
My fees	4 00
Total	$14 40

D. R. EDWARDS, *Treasurer.*

On motion, the report was received and Treasurer continued.

The Finance Committee reported that they had received from the churches $13.30.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev. R. W. Wooten. Benediction by Rev. C. J. Woodson.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION, 9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. W. B. Woodruff.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

The Committee on Time and Place reports the next session of the Association to convene with White Plain Church, commencing on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1886.

JACOB STALEY,
C. P. MCCANN,
Committee.

Rev. A. T. Pardew was appointed to preached the Introductory Sermon; Rev. J. A. Jordan, alternate.

On motion, the Clerk was allowed four dollars for his services, and the balance of the minute fund be applied to the printing of minutes.

The Committee on Missions offered the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

This subject is an important one, and deserves a large share of our patronage. In our report we notice, first, State Missions within the last hundred years the Lord has accomplished wonders to the glory of his name. A hundred years ago the Baptists in North Carolina were but few, but now they number 231,275. This has been accomplished by the blessings of God through the work of the churches, and the labors of our devoted missionaries sent out by the Baptist State Convention. We have now seventy missionaries who are laboring from the sea to the mountains, and God is blessing their labors abundantly. These devoted men deserve our prayers, sympathy and liberal contributions.

Secondly, we notice Home and Domestic Missions. This embraces the Southern States and Indian Territory. Bro. Blake is laboring among the Indians. The signal manner in which God has blessed the labors of the missionaries in this department call loudly for our prayers and contributions to further the work. The Foreign Mission work claims an important place in this report. The Master says, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." As long

as there is a soul in the world who has never heard the name of Jesus this command is in force. Brethren, are we doing what we can, and can we stand acquitted on failure to discharge our whole duty?

Respectfully submitted, C. F. FIELDS,
W. F. BYRD,
Committee.

Remarks by brethren W. F. Byrd, W. A. Myers, C. J. Woodson, J. H. Foote, after which a collection was taken up, amounting to $6.65.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. R. W. Wooten preached a missionary sermon from the 15th chapter and 14th verse of St. John.

Adjourned one hour for refreshments. Met according to adjournment. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The Committee on Temperance submitted the following:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance recommend the following: While intemperance has become to be a growing evil, we, the Church of Christ, should refrain from its use, making or selling, or using it as a beverage, and setting an example of this growing evil before the rising generation. Think of the cost my brethren. It widows and orphans, and brings men to a drunkard's grave and to a drunkard's hell. Brethren, let us wipe our hands from this great evil.

Respectfully submitted, JAS W. BURCHETT,
C. J. WOODSON,
Committee.

Remarks by J. W. Burchett, D. J. Roberts, C. J. Woodson, Milton McNeil, W. A. Myers.

On motion the report was adopted.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported Rev. W. A. Myers to preach to-night, Rev. C. J. Woodson to morrow at 11 o'clock a. m., R. W. Wooten at 1 p. m.

The Committee on Education offered the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We, as Committee on Education, for many causes would recommend a thorough education, especially in all public avocations. 1st, It would be absurd for a person to teach a thing which he knows nothing about. 2nd, We do not live in the age in which our fathers lived. Therefore, we must lay new foundations and work with more valor than our fathers did. As the Scriptures inform us, there is a time to do all things, and if the time has ever been not to educate, it is like mythology, a time of the past. We do not infer that a person can

preach from an education alone, though believe it to be one of the essentials. It seems that the Apostle Paul exorted Timothy to study to show himself a workman approved by God. The Scriptures require us to improve our talents and grow wiser, and not bury the talents which are given us to improve. Respectfully,

J. A. BREWER,
R. C. BILLINGS,
Committee.

Remarks by Major J. H. Foote and Rev. C. J. Woodson.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, a resolution was adopted by the Association for the establishment of a school of high grades, and the Moderator made the following appointment as committee: W. B. Woodruff, G. M. Burcham, R. C. Billings, D. R. Edwards, D. J. Roberts, J. M. Gambill.

Resolved, therefore, that we endeavor to organize a school of high grade, and for that purpose the Moderator appoint six good brethren as a Committee of Education.

On motion, appointed correspondents:

To Brier Creek—A. E. Myers, C. F. Fields, J. M. Gambill.

To Yadkin—G. M. Burcham, L. H. Carter, J. A. Jordan.

To Brushy Mountain—G. M. Burcham, D. R. Edwards.

To New River—D. J. Roberts, I. Burchett, J. A. Jordan.

Brother C. F. Fields visited the Primitive Association and was kindly received and welcomed among them.

On motion, a committee was appointed to visit them again, to-wit: D. R. Edwards, C. F. Fields, J. M. Gambill, G. M. Burcham, D. J. Roberts.

The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following:

Resolved, That this body tender their sincere thanks to the brethren, sisters and citizens of this community for supporting this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. DURHAM,
H. C. LASITER.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next session. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers. Benediction by Bro. Milton McNeil.

Thus ended one of the most pleasant sessions of the Elkin Association. May God bless such meetings to the Glory of His name.

G. M. BURCHAM, *Moderator.*

D. R. EDWARDS, Clerk.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

SUNDAY, October 4, 1885.

At the hour appointed the congregation assembled at the arbor. Elder C. J. Woodson preached to a large and attentive congregation, after which a collection for missions was taken up, amounting to $4.33.

The Moderator dismissed for one hour. At the close of the recess the congregation again assembled at the arbor, and Rev. R. W. Wooten preached to a very attentive congregration. Exhortation by the Moderator. CLERK.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. This Association shall be known as the Elkin Baptist Association, and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches; each church being entitled to three delegates, and all regular ordained ministers as members *ex officio.*

2d. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom upon earth.

3d. The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church, a letter certifying their appointments, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof.

4th. The Association just formed shall choose, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall continue in office for one year, and until others are chosen. The last two offices may be held by the same individual.

5th. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each session; to decide questions of order, subject to an appeal of the house by any member, and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

6th. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceeding of each session of the Association; to transcribe them in a book kept for the purpose, and to perform other duty assigned to him by the Association.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all the funds coming into his hands and to report the same at the order of the Association.

8th. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five members, besides the Moderator and Clerk.

9th. All letters or grievances or queries, together with all letters from corresponding Associations requiring any attention thereon, shall be submitted to the Committee on Arrangements, and reported back to the Association.

10th. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage, but shall only be considered as advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulations of the churches.

11th. When an offense may have been committed by one church

against another, or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the Association (after due labors have been had between the offending and offended churches, or an individual church, as the case may be, to take the matter into consideration, and advise upon it.

12th. The Association shall not maintain permanent fellowship towards any of her churches which neglect to institute and preserve Gospel order among their members, nor any of her churches and ministers that treat her constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence, such as promote Gospel principles and order.

13th. It shall be the province of this Association to invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

14th. The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constitution) be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the Association, except in extraordinary cases.

15th. Each church having an ordained or a licensed minister shall report the same to the Association in order that they may appear as such on the face of the Minutes.

16th. The Association shall furnish the churches with the Minutes of her proceedings; and it shall be the duty of the churches to enable her to do so.

17th. The Association shall have a fund, created and sustained by voluntary contribution from the churches, which shall be held by the Treasurer, and subject to the disposition of a majority of the Association present at any annual session.

18th. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place, as the body may, from time to time, designate.

19th. By appointment of the Association, there may be an Introductory, a Missionary and a Denominational sermon preached at each annual session.

20th. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, two-thirds of the members present, concurring.

21st. The benevolent institutions of the day shall be no bar or test of fellowship, but all shall be free to sustain or not sustain as they choose.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2d. The letters from the churches shall be read, and the names of the delegates enrolled.

3d. A Moderator and Clerk chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

4th. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator; and while speaking, shall not be interrupted by any member, except the Moderator.

5th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and use no words calculated to irritate.

6th. No member shall abruptly break off or absent himself, without leave of the Association.

7th. No member shall speak more than three times upon one subject, without leave of the Association.

8th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association, nor whispering in time of public speech.

9th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation but that of brother.

10th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

11th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the Clerk as often as the Association requires.

12th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled; and he shall have no vote, unless the Association be equally divided.

13th. Queries presented by the churches shall be attended to by the Association.

14th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

15th. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the Association, as they shall think proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1st. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2d. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Words of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3d. We believe in the doctrine of Election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will or ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God, shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed Righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances; and we believe the only true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked, will be eternal.

9th. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Rec'd by Baptism.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Rec'd by Ap'cat'n.	Dis'm'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Males.	Females.	No. Attended S. S.	Total.	Associat'n'l Fund.	Time of Preach'g.
Baptist Home	John Adams	T. C. Eledge	Mulberry	--	--	--	1	--	2	2	---	35	---	--	1 00	4
Center	Wm. Harris	J. A. McCann	Parks	--	--	--	--	1	1	2	17	23	95	100	1 00	1
Cool Spring	G. M. Burcham	N. J. Walls	Benham	9	4	1	--	1	1	4	63	137	---	---	2 20	2
Fishing Creek	Not represented			--	--	--	--	--	--	--	---	---	---	---	------	--
Gum Orchard	Wm. Harris	E. D. Smith	Kapp's Mills	3	--	1	--	1	--	-	9	20	---	---	50	2
Long Creek	Wm. Harris	A. J. Thompson	Good Springs	1	--	--	--	2	--	--	5	15	37	43	31	3
Macedonia	D. J. Roberts	G. C. Poplin	Elkin	5	2	--	--	3	--	--	22	26	45	50	1 00	1
Mt. Pisgah	J. A. Jordan	R. C. Billings	Roaring River	2	1	--	--	1	2	--	15	33	---	---	70	1
Mt. Carmel	J. A. Jordan	J. M. Jordan	Cherry Lane	3	2	--	1	--	--	-	9	7	---	---	60	4
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan	W. F. Byrd	Byrd	6	--	--	--	--	1	2	30	45	---	---	99	4
Poplar Springs	A. J. Williams	S. E. Gentry	Kapp's Mills	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	3	---	---	1 00	3
Rock Creek	A. E. Myers	S. Blackburn	Round Mountain	30	5	--	--	6	--	1	1	55	---	---	1 35	2
Shady Grove	Milton McNeil	A. T. Pardew	Wilkesboro	14	3	--	--	2	2	--	17	25	45	51	75	2
Shoaly Branch	G. M. Burcham	L. H. Carter	Ozark	8	--	--	--	--	--	2	18	23	---	---	75	3
Union Hill	A. J. Williams	J. P. Harris	Kapp's Mills	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	10	---	---	30	4
White Plain	D. J. Roberts	D. R. Edwards	Roaring River	3	2	--	--	--	1	--	30	61	---	---	85	3
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Elkin 1886

MINUTES

OF THE

EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

WHITE PLAIN CHURCH, WILKES CO., N. C.,

Commencing on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1886.

G. M. BURCHAM, MODERATOR..... Elkin, N. C.
D. R. EDWARDS, CLERK AND TREASURER.....Roaring River, N. C.

RALEIGH, N. C.:
EDWARDS, BROUGHTON & CO., POWER PRINTERS AND BINDERS.
1886.

resulted in the election of G. M. Burcham for Moderator, and D. R. Edwards for Clerk.

An invitation extended to correspondents.

From Brier Creek—J. H. Foote, Revs. J. W. Burchett, J. S. Forester, I. N. Haynes, brethren Felix Parks, Joel Dimmette, Wm Forester, C. L. Parks, J. B. Martin.

From Yadkin—Rev. G. W. Farrington, W. B. Woodruff.

From Ashe and Alleghany—Rev. T. M. Honeycutt.

Elder C. J. Woodson, from Virginia, accepted a seat as a visiting brother.

From the Primitive Association—J. S. Holbrook, Z. S. Myers, James Wiles.

Brushy Mountain—Elders I. T. Privett, G. W. Greene, Milton McNeill, brother J. F. Spainhour.

Extended an invitation to newly constituted churches. Received none.

On motion appointed the usual committees.

On Arrangements—C. F. Fields, D. J. Roberts, A. E. Myers, A. T. Pardue, J. M. Gambill, with Moderator and Clerk.

On Finance—I. Burchett, W. R. Simmons.

On Religious Exercises—L. H. Carter, J. S. Poplin, with Moderator and delegates of this church.

On Periodicals—J. H. Foote, J. T. Edwards.

On Education—I. T. Privett, W. F. Byrd.

On Sunday Schools—R. C. Billings, A. J. Williams.

On Special changes—C. P. McCann, J. M. Jordan.

On Temperance—C. J. Woodson, A. C. Phillips.

On Time and Place—F. Brewer, T. Byrd.

On State Missions—T. M. Honeycutt, Wm. Harris.

On Home and Foreign Missions—E. W. Blackburn, G. W. Farrington.

On Resolutions—J. F. Shephard, G. M. Woodruff.

On motion meet at 9 A. M.; adjourn at 11 A M. for preaching; meet at 1 P. M.; adjourn at will.

On motion appoint a committee on Pastoral and Church Relations, to-wit: C. F. Fields, J. S. Poplin.

Called on correspondents to report. Rev. A. E. Myers attended the Brier Creek Association; brother G. M. Burcham attended the Yadkin Association; brethren C. F. Fields, W. F. Byrd, E. A. Soots, A. E. Myers, J. M. Gambill and J. A. McCann attended the Primitive.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported J. S. Forester to preach to-night and I. T. Privett to-morrow at 11 oclock.

On motion adjourn until to-morrow at 9 o'clock A. M. Prayer by Rev. I. T. Privett. Benediction by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Singing and prayer, conducted by the Moderator.

Preceeding minutes read and received.

Announced the names of delegates.

Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and Constitution read.

Rev. W. C. Parks accepted a seat from the New River Association.

Appointed correspondents:

To Brier Creek--E. A. Myers, C. F. Fields, L. H. Carter.

To Brushy Mountain—D. R. Edwards, G. M. Burcham, R. F. Jarvis.

To Primitive—E. A. Myers, W. F. Byrd, E. A. Soots.

To Ashe and Alleghany—D. J. Roberts, G. M. Burcham, W. R. Simmons, E. A. Myers.

To New River—G. M. Burcham, D. J. Roberts, L. H. Carter.

To Yadkin—W. F. Byrd, W. R. Simmons, J. A. McCann.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Periodicals beg leave to report. It is of paramount importance that the young and rising generation should be trained in early life by making use of the means God has given us. One of these is the printing press. It is the cheapest and one of the most powerful instruments in our hands to induce and influence society.

As the nations of the earth increased, it was wisely ordained that a cheap and convenient material should be invented for this purpose, and so in A. D 1000, past 886 years ago, paper was first made of cotton rags and written with the pen, uniformly continued till the year 1440, a little over 400 years ago, when John Guttenburg, of Germany, invented the art of printing. In the year 1538 paper was first manufactured in England. In the year 1639 the first printing press was established in America, but a little over 200 years ago. The first newspaper published in America was the Boston *News Letter*, in 1704, and in 1725 the New York *Gazette* was the first paper published in New York. In the year 1790, not quite 100 years ago, there were only twenty-five post offices in the United States. In 1799 the first religious tract society was organized in London. So potent had the press become in secular and political affairs that it became necessary to the advocates of religion to turn this

mighty engine against the bulwarks of sin and Satan. And now look at it. How could we move on in this age of progress, this era of steam and electricity without the aid of the most speedy communications among nations in building up the cause of Christ? While there are so many thousands of immoral and trashy publications flooding our land, it becomes every parent to provide his family with religious periodicals to counteract any evil influences which might creep into their sacred precincts. The BIBLICAL RECORDER should be in the house of every Baptist family. The price to be paid for its weekly visits is insignificant compared to the great and lasting benefit which it confers ppon those who peruse its interesting columns. *Kind Words*, uublished in Atlanta, Georgia, by the Home Mission Board, costs only twenty-five cents a year, and every child that can read in our Sunday Schools should be allowed to enjoy its monthly visits. We recommend these periodicals especially to be circulated in our churches. We also recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published at Richmond, Va.

J. H. FOOTE,
J. T. EDWARDS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Remarks by Maj. J. H Foote, C. J. Woodson, T. M. Honeycutt, W. C. Parks and the Moderator.

Adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev I. T. Privett. Text: 21st verse, 12th chapter of John.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Every man is accountable for what he might know. Education is the primary means of exterminating ignorance, and we believe that wilful ignorance is a curse to any people. He who neglects or refuses to inform his mind hides his Lord's money. It is the duty of man to improve every talent that God has given him, hence, it is his duty to educate his children. We rejoice to see the standard of education upon a higher basis than it was fifty years ago. It was a rare thing then to see a young man who aspired to anything in books. But the minds now of the masses are aspiring to obtain an education, as they have learned that the young minds that are trained and educated shine out with splendor and illuminate the rising generation through

the means of education. We have the various helps, such as the Bible, the BIBLICAL RECORDER and other religious literature to aid us in our religious causes and to attain more spiritual knowledge. Therefore we exhort the brethren of this Association to do all they can to push on this glorious cause.

Respectfully submitted,

I. T. PRIVETT,
W. F. BYRD,
Committee.

Remarks by Revs. G. W. Greene, C. J. Woodson, T. M. Honeycutt and Maj J. H. Foote.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

Place, Mt. Pisgah Church. Time, Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1887.

F. BREWER,
T. BYRD,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

1. We believe that the Sunday School work is a part of church work.

2. That the Sunday School is the nursery of the church in this sense; that every church produces more and better with a Sunday school than without it.

3. That it is the duty of each member to be identified and in full sympathy with the Sunday School work.

4. And as there are many destitute places in our bounds without schools, and also in some of our churches, and many children are out of school that are within their reach, therefore, we are resolved, by the help of God, to use our best efforts individually, and through our Executive Board and Sunday School Committee, to organize schools in these destitute places and in each church that has no school, and to bring the children who are not attending school into school within their reach.

Respectfully,

A. J. WILLIAMS,
R. C. BILLINGS,
Committee.

On motion the discussion of the Sunday School report was postponed until Sunday morning.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

The safety and success of our denomination as Baptists depends largely upon this mutual relation. The pastor is to watch over the flock. Paul says "upon me daily cometh the care of all the churches," also, "to rightly divide the word and give to each their portion in due season." It is the duty of the church to love and pray for the pastor, also to support him. Paul says "if we show to you spiritual things shall we not reap your carnal things." Let us study God's word more and more upon this important matter.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. FIELDS,
J. S. POPLIN,
Committee.

Remarks by I. T. Privett, C. J. Woodson and T. M. Honeycutt, after which the report was adopted.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported C. J. Woodson and C. F. Fields to preach to-night, and to-morrow at 11 o'clock, T. M. Honeycutt to preach a missionary sermon.

On motion adjourned to meet on Saturday at 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. I. N. Haynes. Benediction by the Moderator.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Singing and prayer by the Moderator.

On motion read the preceeding minutes. Read and received.

On motion have the time and place of sister Associations with which we correspond inserted in our minutes.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Received from finance committee	$14 30
Collection on Saturday for missions	6 65
Collection on Sunday for missions	4 78
Total	$25 73

Paid for printing minutes	$10 10
Paper and postage	20
Paid to Fa ius H. Briggs for missions	11 21
For register fees	22
Treasurer fees	4 00
Total	$25 73

D. R. EDWARDS, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board is located at Atlanta, Ga., with Hon. J. D. Stewart, as President. The business of this Board is to promote Mission work in the South. It has about two hundred and fifty missionaries. This work commends itself to our sympathy and support. Our Foreign Mission extends to China, and has over fifty missionaries in the field. Also, in Africa, Italy, South America and Mexico and should receive our liberal support.

Respectfully, G. W. FARRINGTON,
E. M. BLACKBURN,
Committee.

Remarks by G. W. Farrington, D. J. Roberts, W. F. Byrd, C. J. Woodson and G. W. Greene.

Report received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS.

There are many large sections in North Carolina where the truth, as held by the Baptists, is not known. The State Mission Board is laboring to supply this destitution. There are now more than seventy ministers under the employment of this Board, preaching the gospel in various parts of the State. The attention of the Board has long been directed to the destitution existing in Ashe and Alleghany counties, but never until now has the Board been able to enter this field. For some months past a missionary has been laboring in this field with encouraging success, and it is the purpose of the Board to send one or more others in the near future. The Board desires that those brethren

who live near to this field and know its needs should redouble their energies and increase their contributions for State Missions, all of which may be paid over to the missionaries laboring at our doors. Will not all our churches take collections for this object? Those who are near enough ought also to make contributions in produce, as they can thereby do more for the furtherance of the Lord's work in this very needy territory.

T. M. HONEYCUTT,
WM. HARRIS,
Committee.

Adjourned ten minutes and at the singing met in the church and listened to a very interesting missionary sermon by Elder T. M. Honeycutt, after which a collection was taken up for Home and Foreign Missions amounting to $17.32. Addresses on State Missions were delivered by G. W. Greene.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following: While temperance is a moderate use of anything, intemperance is the use of anything to excess, and while intoxicating drinks has become a growing evil we, as Baptists, should refrain from their use. We would recommend our members not to make, sell or use ardent spirits in any way, and not to set an example of this growing evil before the rising generation. It makes widows and orphans, and not only brings men to a drunkard's grave, but a drunkard's hell. As it is such a growing evil we would recommend total abstinence.

Respectfully submitted,
C. J. WOODSON,
A. C. PHILLIPS,
Committee.

Remarks by G. W. Farrington, J. W. Burchett, W. C. Parks, T. M. Honeycutt, J. F. Spainhour, C. J. Woodson and J. S. Forester. Report adopted.

Committee on Religious exercises reported Rev. Milton McNeill and W. B. Woodruff to preach to-night and tomorrow at 11 o'clock. W. C. Parks and I. N. Haynes preached in the evening.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, received from the churches $13.92.

I. BURCHETT,
W. R. SIMMONS,
Committee.

Report received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL CHANGES.

We, your Committee on Special Changes, report that there has been no changes since our last session that we know anything of, therefore we do not think there has been any. Respectfully,

J. M. JORDAN,
C. P. MCCANN,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this body are hereby tendered to the White Plain Church and citizens of this community for their hospitality to the delegates and guests attending this Association. Respectfully,

J. F. SHEPHERD,
G. M. WOODRUFF,
Committee.

Appointed Rev. J. A. Jordan to preach the introductory sermon; D. G. Roberts his alternate.

On motion allowed the Clerk $4.00 for his services and apply the balance to the printing of Minutes.

On motion adjourned to time and place of next session. Prayer by Rev. T. M. Honeycutt. Benediction by Rev. M. McNeill.

G. M. BURCHAM, *Moderator.*

D. R. EDWARDS, *Clerk.*

Resolved, That while we rejoice to know that some of our churches reported successful Sabbath Schools in their borders, we suggest that all the churches will be prepared to report at our next Association that every church has enjoyed this desired institution during the year.

CLERK.

Met on Sunday morning in Sunday School Mass Meeting. Addresses were delivered by Mr. J. F. Spainhour, Maj. J. H. Foote, Rev. T. M. Honeycutt, C. J. Woodson, W. C. Parks, I. N. Haynes and G. W. Greene. After which Rev. W. C. Parks preached a very interesting sermon, followed by Rev. I. N. Haynes and an exhortation by Rev. Milton McNeill. Thus closed the eighth session of the Elkin Baptist Association.

CLERK.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.	Rec'd by Baptism.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Rec'd by Ap'cat'n.	Dis'm'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Males.	Females.	No attended S. S.	Total.	Associat'n'l Fund.	Time of Preach'g.
Baptist Home	John Adams	W. B. Eledge	Mulberry, N. C.	..	..	..	..	..	12	1	9	13	...	...	85	4
Center	W. F. Byrd	J. A. McCann	Parks "	8	..	..	..	..	..	1	21	26	35	40	1 00	1
Cool Spring	G. M. Burcham	N. J. Walls	Benham "	20	..	2	..	2	1	4	100	135	...	...	2 10	2
Fishing Creek	Not represented	.....	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	.....	..
Gum Orchard	W. F. Byrd	E. D. Smith	Kapp's Mills "	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	8	17	...	...	70	2
Long Creek	Wm. Harris	A. J. Thompson	Good Springs "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	15	...	...	20	3
Macedonia	D. J. Roberts	G. C. Poplin	Elkin "	.	..	1	..	2	2	..	20	23	...	...	85	1
Mt. Pisgah	J. W. Burchett	R. C. Billings	Dockery "	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	37	...	...	90	1
Mt. Carmel	D. J. Roberts	J. M. Jordan	Cherry Lane "	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	10	8	...	...	75	4
Pleasant Home	G. M. Burcham	W. F. Byrd	Byrd "	6	2	..	..	2	1	..	33	49	...	...	1 07	4
Poplar Springs	A. J. Williams	S. E. Gentry	Kapp's Mills "	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	5	6	...	...	75	..
Rock Creek	J. A. Jordan	S. Blackburn	Round Mount'n "	25	5	..	..	20	4	2	49	76	...	...	1 35	2
Shady Grove	Milton McNeill	T. H. Pardue	Wilkesboro "	11	6	..	..	3	2	..	20	35	38	43	80	2
Shoaly Branch	G. M. Burcham	L. H. Carter	Ozark "	5	2	..	3	2	1	..	20	28	50	50	1 00	3
Union Hill	A. J. Williams	J. P. Harris	Kapp's Mills "	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	10	...	...	30	4
White Plain	D. J. Roberts	D. R. Edwards	Roaring River "	5	2	2	..	..	1	..	33	67	...	...	1 20	3
				83	20	5	4	34	24	9	347	545	123	133	13 92	

Taken up collection on Sunday for State Missions amounting to $12.07.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Ninth Annual Session

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Convened with Mt. Pisgah Church,

Wilkes County, N. C.,

COMMENCING SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1887.

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MODERATOR, Rev. W. F. BYRD, - - - Byrd, N. C.
CLERK, - - - C. F. FIELDS, - - - - Benham, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS.

First Day.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1887.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Jordan—text, 1st John 3d chap. 1st verse.

Refreshments thirty minutes.

The Association convened. The Moderator of last year not being present. Rev. A. E. Myers was appointed Moderator, *pro tem.* Singing and prayer by Rev. A. E. Myers. The letters from the Churches being called for, nine were received and read.

The door was opened for the reception of new Churches, when Liberty Grove was received.

On motion, proceeded to the election of officers for the year. Rev. W. F. Byrd was elected Moderator, and C. F. Fields, Clerk.

An invitation was given to corresponding and visiting brethren, when brethren D. M. Stamper and R. McCargue from Ashe and Alleghany Association, and Rev. J. J. Caudil from the Primitive, accepted seats.

On motion, appointed the usual Committees, viz: On Arrangements, Revs. A. E. Myers, John Hughes, and brethren G. C. Poplin, N. J. Walls and L. D. Burcham, with the Moderator, Clerk and correspondents. On Finance, C. J. Durham, E. M. Bowles. Religious Exercises, Thos. Byrd, A. J. Chipman, with pastor and delegates of this church. Periodicals, D. J. Roberts, D. R. Edwards. Education, J. W. Fields, J. W. Burchitt. Sabbath Schools, C. F. Fields, F. Brewer. State Missions, A. M. Church, S. J. Greenwood. Home and Foreign Missions, Hiram Wiles, W. R. Simmons. Temperance, L. H. Carter, J. J. Caudill. Pastoral and Church Relation, A. E. Myers, G. C. Poplin. Special Changes, J. A. McCann, J. A. Jordan. Time and Place, W. Cheek, A. Brewer. Resolutions, Isom Burchitt, O. L. Darnall.

Called on Correspondents to report: C. Fields attended the Brier Creek; D. J. Roberts and W. F. Byrd attended the Ashe and Alleghany; L. H. Carter attended the New River; W. F. Byrd and A. E. Myers attended the Primitive.

Committee on Religious exercises reported that C. F. Fields would preach to-morrow, 11 A. M.

On motion, adjourned to to-morrow, 9 A. M. Prayer by C. F. Fields; benediction by the Moderator.

Second Day—Morning Session.

FRIDAY, September 30, 1887.

Prayer by Rev. D. J. Roberts. Committee on Arrangements reported, which was adopted. Called the Roll of Delegates. The letters of Mt. Carmel, Union Hill and Gum Orchard churches were presented, read and the names of the delegates enrolled.

An invitation was given to new churches, when Mt. Pleasant was received. Read preceding minutes, the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Revs. W. J. Combs, W. W. Myers, with Bros. John Myers, Joseph Holbrook and P. Waters, from the Primitive Association, and Rev G. M. Burcham, from Va., accepted seats as visiting brethren.

After remarks by Rev. D. J. Roberts, the Moderator appointed Rev. G. M. Burcham and C. F. Fields a Committee on the Baptist Orphanage. On motion, appointed a Reading School to be held with Pleasant Home church on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October 1887. On motion, adjourned for preaching. Sermon by C. F. Fields—text, Isaiah xl. 31.

Refreshments forty-five minutes.

Evening Session.

The letter from Shady Grove presented, read, and the names of delegates enrolled.

The Committee on Pastoral and Church Relations offered the following:

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

Your Committee on Pastoral and Church Relations beg leave to say that the success of the cause of Christianity largely depends upon the discharge of the duties of the pastor to his church; also the duties of the church to the pastor. If we, as Baptists, succeed these duties must be performed.

A. E. MYERS.
G. C. POPLIN.

After remarks by A. E. Myers, C. F. Fields, W. J. Combs, G. M. Burcham and J. W. Burchitt, the report was adopted. The letter from Fishing Creek presented, read, and the names of delegates enrolled.

Rev. Milton McNeal, from Brushy Mountain, accepted a seat as correspondent.

The Committee on Education offered the following:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

This is a fast day, and we must educate our people or we will fall behind. Education does not impair our usefulness, but is intended to make us more useful. We recommend a higher education in the ministry, also among the masses. Preachers certainly should be educated men. Educate the masses and there will be less mistake and crime. Nearly all the county charges are uneducated. All classes of men need education. It is highly necessary to educate the female class. The mothers are framing our nation. We, as Baptists, should take more interest in educating our children. If we cannot send them to college we can school them at home. We recommend special study of the Bible for ministers. Paul says, "Study, to show thyself a workman approved of God."

J. W. FIELDS,
J. W. BURCHITT.

After remarks by J. W. Burchitt, D. J. Roberts, W. F. Byrd, A. E. Myers, W. J. Combs, John Hughes and G. M. Burcham, the report was adopted.

The Treasurer reported the following:

Received for		Paid Out.	
Home & Foreign Missions,	$17.32	For printing munutes,	$10 00
State Missions,	12.07	To Home & Foreign Missions,	17.32
From Committee of Finance,	18 92	To State Missions,	12 07
		My own fees,	3.92
Total	$43 31	Total,	$43.31

D. R. EDWARDS, Treasurer.

On motion, the report was received and Treasurer discharged.

The Committee on Temperance reported. After remarks by M. McNeal, G. M. Burcham and A. E. Myers, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We understand the word "Temperance" to mean a moderate use of such things as are for our good, and a total abstinence from all things that are injurous to health and happiness. We believe that the progress of the churches is being clogged greatly by the vain use of spirituous liquors by the members. We advise the churches of this Association to use every effort that is according to the Word of God to suppress this evil, by withdrawing from every brother that walketh disorderly.

J. J. CAUDILL,
L. H. CARTER.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Revs. W. J. Combs and Milton McNeal would preach

to-night, and Rev. G. M. Burcham to-morrow, 11 A. M. Prayer by G. M. Burcham: benediction by Milton McNeal.

Third Day—Morning Session.

SATURDAY, October 1, 1887.

Singing and prayer by Rev. D. J. Roberts. The Committee on Sabbath Schools offered the following:

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The subject of Sabbath Schools has been written upon and so thoroughly canvassed in our Associational meetings, we are almost at a loss to know what to say. We are sorry that so few churches have reported Schools. Surely our pastors are in their own light if they allow this cause to languish. They should take a part in this work and thus show that they are Sabbath School men. Every church member should attend Sabbath School. We recommend every church to organize and maintain a School this year, and report the success to next Association. Let the Superintendent be found punctually at his post, and our pastors manifest a deep interest in this work, and our Sabbath Schools will be a grand success.

F. BREWER,
C. F. FIELDS.

Remarks were submitted by C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchitt and W. J. Combs; then the report was adopted.

The Committee on Special Changes reported the following, which was adopted:

REPORT ON SPECIAL CHANGES.

We, your Committee on Special Changes, beg leave to say that there have been no changes since our last session. We are thankful to know that God has so wonderfully blessed us. Let us with more zeal press forward and work for the Master's cause the ensuing year.

J. A. JORDAN,
J. A. McCANN.

The Committee on Periodicals offered the following:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The power of the printing press cannot be disregarded without ruinous results. Every worthy, as well as unworthy enterprise finds way to the people through this medium. We who advocate (as we believe) principles which are of Eternal importance, and which are peculiar to us, cannot afford to be so unwise as to neglect our paper, "The Biblical Recorder," and the "Sunday School Quarterlies," published by the American Baptist Publication Society. We recommend the general circulation of the papers named above, also "Foreign Mission Journal," of Richmond, Va., and "Kind Words." "Where there is union there is strength," but we cannot be united upon a work of which we know but little. We should therefore learn of the work by reading our denominational paper, and go forward in performing it, using "Kind Words," "Quarterlies" and other "Lesson Helps" so well adapted to help us to impress the blessed truths of the Bible.

D. R. EDWARDS.
D. J. ROBERTS.

Remarks were submitted by Rev. G. M. Burcham, Rev. G. W. Greene, and then the report was adopted.

Rev. G. W. Greene, from Brushy Mountain, and W. J. Combs, from the Primitive, accepted seats as visiting brethren.

The Committee on Time and Place reported the next Association to be held with Liberty Grove Church, 5 miles northeast of Wilkesboro, commencing on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1888. Appointed D. J. Roberts to preach the Introductory Sermon, and C. F. Fields alternate.

Appointed Correspondents: To Brier Creek, J. A. Jordan, J. W. Burchitt; to Brushy Mountain, A. M. Church, J. W. Burchitt; to Yadkin, L. H. Carter, W. R. Simmons; to Ashe and Alleghany, C. F. Fields, J. A. Jordan; to New River, L. H. Carter, W. R. Simmons; to the Primitive, D. R. Edwards, A. J. Williams.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had received $14.95. On motion, allowed the Clerk $4.00 for his services, and spend the balance for printing minutes.

On motion, adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev. G. M. Burcham—text: Proverbs 29:6.

Refreshments 45 minutes.

Afternoon Session.

The Committe on State Missions offered the following report:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We need not use any argument to prove that Missions have God for their author, and the salvation of men for their object. Jesus taught by example and precept that through and by the work of Missions life, light and liberty should go to a lost and ruined world. Therefore, let us consider the broad field before us. We find destitution in our own Association, and demand for great work; but we are not satisfied to confine our efforts to our own narrow bounds, while there are such loud calls coming up from various sections of our State. There are sections, and even counties, East and West, in which there are no Baptist Churches, and the truth of God's Word (as we find it taught) is not known—and many of these are not supplied with preaching the truth (as we believe it), and perhaps by very little preaching of any kind. Can we rest easy at home knowing that such is the case in our own beloved State? Let us hear our brethren from the mountains to the seacoast, calling on us for help, and rally to their support. Let us claim North Carolina for Christ, and labor to obtain the Kingdom.

A. M. CHURCH,
S. J. GREENWOOD.

After remarks by Rev. G. W. Greene and C. F. Felds, a collection was raised amounting to $7.25 for State Missions. Macedonia sends $4.00; White Plains, $5.00;

Shady Grove, $1.00; Center, $1.00; Cool Spring, $7.00 —and then the report was adopted.

The Committee on Home and Foreign Missions reported:

REPORT ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

A great awakening of Christian hearts and minds to thoughts of duty and prayers for the heathen is moving us to-day. 'Tis not only the Macedonian cry of these blind ones, but the voice of Jesus, our leader, saying, "Let my name be exalted among the heathen" that awakes us and thrills us. We are answering, "More men are going, more money is being given, and more prayers ascending than the world ever knew before. What will be the position of this Association? Shall we wait for the laggards, the idlers, the drones, and the covetous? Nay; but, oh! men and brethren, in the name of the Lord of Hosts, let us set up our banners and go to possess the land. Brother messengers, what are your churches doing to possess the land? We charge you, before God and men, that ye be not faithless to the solemn call of God: "Go ye into all the world!"

W. R. SIMMONS,
HIRAM WILES.

Remarks were submitted by Milton McNeal and G. W. Greene, and the report adopted.

On motion, instructed the Clerk to print a list of names with whom Brother McManaway may correspond on Home and Foreign Missions.

The Committee on Resolutions offered the following report, which was adopted:

RESOLVED, That thanks of this body are due, and hereby heartily tendered to the members of this church, and community, for their kind and cheerful hospitality during this Session.

O. L. DARNALL,
ISOM BURCHITT.

The Committee on the Baptist Orphanage reported, which was adopted, agreeing to take a collection for that object to-morrow.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

This institution organized in November, 1884, at the meeting of the Baptist State Convention, in Raleigh, has become one of the the most successful enterprises of the Baptist denomination. Three tracts of land have been bought, grounds cleared, four brick buildings erected, and others are being constructed. Two schools of orphans are now in successful operation, under the care of competent instructors. We recommend that the churches of this Association take up at least one collection this year for the current expenses of this institution, and that the Pastors encourage their churches to contribute to the Orphanage.

G. M. BURCHAM,
C. F. FIELDS.

On motion, appointed David McCann, L. H. Carter, P. H. Cockram, J. M. Gambill and C. F. Fields a Committee to visit Rock Creek Church and inquire into some reports that are circulating on one of the members of that church.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported that D. J. Roberts and W. F. Byrd would preach to-night.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next session. Prayer by the Moderator; benediction by W. J. Combs.

REV. W. F. BYRD,
Moderator.

C. F. FIELDS, Clerk.

Sabbath.

SABBATH, 10 A. M.—Rev. G. W. Greene preached an interesting sermon, Matt. 14:10, after which a collection was raised amounting to $8.35 for Baptist Orphanage. One o'clock, P. M.—Rev. G. M. Burcham preached an able sermon from Mark 5:19, followed by W. J. Combs with an exhortation. Thus closed another pleasant session of the Elkin Association.

Brethren, pray for our Zion. CLERK.

A LIST OF THOSE WITH WHOM REV. A. G. MCMANAWAY, OF CHARLOTTE, N. C., MAY CORRESPOND ON HOME MISSIONS:

John Adams, -	Mulberry, N. C.	A Phillips, - - -	Parks, N. C.
C. F. Fields,	Benham, "	A. Miller, - -	Wilkesboro, "
W. H. Melton,	Kapp's Mill, "	P. A Caudill,	Good Spring, "
J. S. Poplin, -	Byrd, "	G. E. Myers, -	Dockery, "
J. M. Jordan, -	Cherry Lane, "	W. F. Byrd, -	Byrd, "
S. E. Gentry, -	State Road, "	E. M. Blackburn,	Round Mt'n "
B. M. Pardue,	Adley, "	D. R. Edwards,	Elkin, "
Wm Harris, -	Kapp's Mill, "	D. R. Edwards,	Roaring River. "
A. M. Church,	Wilkesboro, "	P. H. Cockerham,	State Road, "

List of Ministers.

John Adams, -	Mulberry, N. C.	J. W. Burchitt,	Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. F. Byrd, - - -	Byrd, "	L. H. Carter, (L) -	Ozark, "
C. F Fields, - -	Benham, "	J. K. Franklin,	Good Spring, "
Wm Harris, -	Kapp's Mill, "	J. Hughes, - - - -	Byrd, "
. Holbrook, (L)	Roaring River "	J. A. Jordan,	Round Mountain "
R. F. Jarvis, (L)	Wilkesboro, "	S. L. Jolly, (L) -	Burcham, "
Lyon, (L) - - -	Elkin, "	A. E. Myers,	Round Mountain "
C. P. McCann, (L)	Cherry Lane, "	A. T. Pardue, -	Wilkesboro, "
D. J. Roberts	" "	W. R. Simmons, -	Ozark, "
C. A. Suits, (L)	Round Mount'n "	A. J. Williams,	Kapp's Mill, "

☞ Those marked "(L)" are licentiates.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks and Postoffices	Names of Delegates.	Baptized,	By Letter,	Restored,	Dismissed,	Excluded,	Deceased.	Fellowship,	Minute Fund,	Sabbath.
Baptist Home,			Not represented.									
Center,	Wm Harris,	J A McCann, Parks, N. C.	C C Gentry, J A McCann, - - - - -							47	$1 00	1
Cool Spring,	C. F. Fields,	N J Walls, - Benham	J W Fields, O L Darnall, N J Walls, - -	27	2	2	5	2		232	2 35	2
Fishing Creek,	A. T. Pardue,	—— —— Wilkesboro	A Miller, F Foster, - - - - - - - - -	3				2	1	24	40	1
Gum Orchard,	W. F. Byrd,	E D Smith, Kapp's Mill	W H Melton, A J Williams, - - - - - -	3						31	60	2
Liberty Grove,	White, Burchit	A M Church, Wilkesboro	Hiram Wiles, E M Bowles, M M Church,	18	22					51	75	4
Long Creek,		——— ———	Not represented.									
Macedonia,	D. J. Roberts,	J T Edwards, Ronda	G C Poplin, C J Durham, - - - - -				16	2		25	55	1
Mount Carmel,	Wm Harris,	J M Jordan, Cherry Lane	J M Jordan, D J Roberts, - - - - - -							18	60	4
Mount Pisgah,	J. W. Burchitt,	F Brewer, Dockery	J Staily, G E Myers, F Brewer, - - -	1				1	1	49	80	1
Mt. Pleasant,	C. F. Fields,	P H Cockram, State Road	J V Golden, P H Cockerham, - - - -	3	4					16	1 00	4
Pleasant Home,	W. F. Byrd,	L D Burcham, Burcham	L D Burcham, Thos. Byrd, Isom Burchitt,	4				2	1	78	1 [illegible]	4
Poplar Spring,	C. F. Fields,	S E Gentry, State Road	A J Chipman, - - - - - - - - - -	1	6				1	17	[illegible]	1
Rock Creek,	J. A. Jordan,	A Brewer Round Mount.	Wm Cheek, John Shepard, Ambrose Brewer,		7		20	1	1	104	[illegible]	3
Shady Grove,	Milton McNeal	P H Pardue, Adley	P H Pardue, - - - - - - - - - - -							53	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shoaly Branch,	W. F. Byrd,	L H Carter, Ozark	L H Carter, W R Simmons, - - - - -	4	5		4	1		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Union Hill,	A. J. Williams,	J P Harris, Kapp's Mill	Henry Norman, Nathaniel Williams, - -	4	1		4			[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
White Plain,	D. J. Roberts,	D R Edwards, Ro'rng Riv	D R Edwards, S J Greenwood, - - - -		2			1	2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
				68	49	2	49	12	7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Compliments of G. T. Fines

MINUTES

OF THE

TENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Convened with Liberty Grove Church.

WILKES COUNTY, N. C.

October the 4th, 5th, and 6th, 1888.

Rev. W. F. Byrd Moderator.....Lomax,

C. F. Fields Clerk.....Benham,

Next Session will meet with Trap Hill Church on Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1889.

Jno. S. Roth Printer Elkin, N. C.

1888.

List of Ordained Ministers.

W. F. Byrd,	Lomax, N. C.
J. W. Burchitt,	Wilkesboro, " "
James Bullard, (L)	Elkin Valley, " "
L. H. Carter, (L)	Elkin, " "
C. F. Fields,	Benham, " "
J. K. Franklin,	Good Springs, " "
Wm. Harris,	Kapp's Mill, " "
J. F. Harris, (L)	Benham, " "
John Hughes,	Byrd, " "
John Holbrook, (L)	Roaring River, " "
R. F. Jarvis, (L)	Wilkesboro, " "
S. L. Jolly, (L)	Lomax, " "
J. A. Jordan,	Round Monntain, " "
Jonathan Lyon, (L)	Elkin Valley, " "
C. P. McCann, (L)	Cherry Lane, " "
A. E. Myers,	Round Mountain, " "
A. T. Pardue,	Adly, " "
D. J. Roberts,	Cherrylane, " "
W. R. Simmons,	Ozark, " "
Hyram Settle, (L)	Byrd, " "
E. A. Suits, (L)	Round Mountain, " "
A. J. Williams,	Kapp's Mill, " "

Those marked [L] are Licentiates.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

A. M. Church,	Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. S. Kilby,	Trap Hill, " "
P. H. Cockerham,	State Road, " "

PROCEEDINGS.

LIBERTY GROVE CHURCH, WILKES COUNTY, N. C.
THURSDAY OCT. 4th. 1888.

First Day–Morning Session.

The Elkin Baptist Assc ciation convened in her Tenth Annual Session, with Liberty Grove Church Thursday Oct. 4th. 1888.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. D. J. Roberts, Text Psalms, 119 : 105. Refreshments 30 minutes.

1. O'clock P. M.

The Association convened.

Prayer by Rev. T. M. Honeycut.

Letters from the different churches were presented and read, and the names of Delegates enrolled.

The door being opened for the reception of newly constituted churches when the Church at Trap Hill, was received.

DELEGATES

Center	J. A. McCann.
Cool Spring	J. W. Fields, O. L. Darnall, N. J. Walls.
Fishing Creek	T. B. James, S. R. Queen.
Gum Orchard	E. D. Smith.
Liberty Grove	A. M. Church, G. M. Woodruff, E. M. Bowles.
Macedonia	J. S. Poplin, J. A. Poplin.
Mt. Carmel	C. P. McCann, J. M. Jordan.
Mt.Pisgah	Jacob Staily, Felix Brewer, J. E. Myers.
Mt.Pleasant	M. J. Snead, J. V. Golden, P. H. Cockerham.
Pleasant Home	J. R. Byrd, J. M. Jolly, Haywood Cockerham.
Poplar Springs	J. W. Hicks.
Rock Creek	John Shephard, S. Blackburn, V. Whitly.
Shady Grove	H. J. Stealman, B. G. Pardue, W. S. Joines.
Shoaly Branch	L. H. Carter, H. F. Carter, J. W. Carter.
Trap Hill	R. M. Mc Harge, J. S. Kilby, R. M. Holbrook.
White Plane	S. J. Greenwood, W. F. Alexander, E. R. Edwards.

Proceeded to the election of officers for the year: which resulted in the election of Rev. W. F. Byrd Moderator and C. F. Fields, Clerk.

An invitation being given to corresponding and visiting brethern, Rev. T. M. Honeycut fron Ash and Alleghany, J. T.Fowlks from Yadkin, Rev. G. M. Burcham, from New River. Revs. I. T. Privitte W. W. White, from Brushy Mountain, I. N. Haynes from Brier Creek. W. F. Gregory from Primitive, accepted seats.

On motion authorize the Moderator to make all temporary appointments.

Invited J. M. Gambill a former Moderator to a seat.

APPOINTED THE USUAL COMMITTEE.

Arrangements, A. M. Church, S. Blackburn, H. J. Stealman, J. W. Fields, Rev. A. E. Myers, with Moderatcr Clerk and Correspondents.

Finance, J. W. Hicks, Hyram Wiles.

Religious Exercises, N. J. Walls, J. S. Poplin, with Pastor and Delegates of this church.

Periodicals, J. S. Kilby, E. M Bowles.

Education, G. M. Woodruff, J. T. Bowles.

Sabbath Schools, I. T. Prevette, O. L. Darnall.

State Missions, G. M. Burcham, Jacob Staily.

Home & Foreign Missions, S. J. Greenwood, J. A. McCann.

Temperance, W. W. White, I. N. Haynes,

Pastoral & Church Relation, J. M. Gambill, J. V. Golden.

Special Changes, D. J. Roberts, J. A. Jordan.

Time & Place, W. F. Alexander, C. P. McCann.

Baptist Orphanage, T. M. Honeycut, A. M. Church.

Correspondents report, W. F. Byrd, D. J. Roberts, and A. E. Myers attended the Primitive. A. T. Pardue, R. F. Jarvis and H. J. Stealman attended the Brushy Mountain.

Meet at 9 A. M. adjourn at 11 A. M. for preaching: meet at 1 P. M. adjourn at will.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported that J. T. Fowlks would preach to night. Rev. G. M. Burcham tomorrow at 11 A. M.

Adjourned, Prayer by Rev. W. W. White.

Benediction by the moderator.

SECOND DAY, Morning Session. Friday, 9 1-2 A. M.

Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. T. M. Honeycut.

The moderator called the house to order.

Committee on arrangments reported; which was made the order of business.

Rev. W. J. Combs and brother M. Absher from Primitive, Rev Milton McNeal, Prof. G. W. Green and brother S. J Jinnings from Brushy Mountain accepted seats as Correspondents.

Called the roll of Delegates.

Read preceeding minutes.

Read Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of faith.

Appointed J. S. Kilby, A. M. Church and P. H. Cockerham a committee on Colportage. The committee on Pastoral and Church Relation offered the following,

Your committee on Pastoral and Church Relation beg leave to say that the success of christianity largely depends upon the duties of the Pastor to the church: also the duties of the church to the Pastor. If we as Baptist succeed these duties must be performed.

Jas. M. Gambill,
John V. Golden.

Remarks were submitted by Rev. G. M. Burcham, I. T. prevette, W. J. Combs.

G. W. Greene and the report adcpted.

The Association adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev. G. M. Burcham, Text, Psalms 15 ; 1.

EVENING SESSION, 1 P. M.

Prof. J. H. Foote and F. B. Parks, of Brier Creek. Pet. Walters, of Primitive, accepted seats as Correspondents.

The committee on Periodicals reported, after remarks by G. W. Greene, J. H. Foote, T. M. Honeycut, W. F. Byrd, the report was adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

We as a Denomination fully recognize the power of the press and we should seize this mighty force and utilize it for God.

We advocate principles of eternal importance and we can not afford to neglect the importance of supporting our denominational papers. Your committee would respectfully recommend the Biblical Recorder, Gospel Herald and Foreign Mission Journal.

J. S. Kilby.
E. M. Bowles.

The committee on Education reported, after remarks by J. T. Fowlks, Prof. G. W. Greene, Prof. J. H. Foote: a collection was raised amounting $1.97. for Education, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education is the proper development of the Physical, mental and moral powers of men. We need schools to develop the mental and moral powers.

In as much as the Free School System of our State is not what we desire it to be: we recommend that the people of this Association take deep interest in the common Schools of our Country by employing good Teachers and Supplementing the Free School money by subscription and thereby make the Free Schools more efficient.

We further recommend that this Association build an Academy.

We recommend Moravaian Falls Academy and Wake Forrest College for all and especially for young Ministers; thinking the young people are left without excuse if they do not get an Education.

G. M. Woodruff.
J. T. Fowlks.

The committee on Temperance reported, remarks by Rev. I. N. Haynes, W. W. White, Prof. G. W. Greene, H. J. Stealman, A. E. Myres, and report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Whereas we recognize that the trafic in intoxicating liquors is a public crime and should be made such in the eyes of the law. It is the arch fiend of the nations, the opposer and destroyer of public and private morality, temperance and good government, therefore:

Resolved: that no one has a right to be silent, that silence is treason in reference to this great curse which is paralysing all our institutions and industries that the urgencies of the hour demand the fullest discussion and fearless action.

No work will please God except the exercise of that highest privilege which he has given us to pray and work against this crime of crimes.

Resolved that we advise our churches to hold no member who makes, buys, sells or drinks spirituous liquors as a beverage.

I. N. Haynes.
W. W. White.

The committee on Sabbath Schools Reported.

On motion adopted report to be discussed in Sabbath School mass meeting Sabbath 9 A. M.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your committee think that all churches in this Association can keep up a Sunday School by a very little effort, this is the place where all can do something in the vineyard of the Lord. The Sunday School is a nursery to the church.

We can not over estimate this grand work God has blessed in our lands.

Our Saviour as his custom was, went into the Synagogue every Sabbath and taught his disciples the precious truths of the Bible.

The fact is this institution is as old as the Bible. We recommend that this Association appoint a Sunday School convention in early Spring so the work can be thoroughly organized in all the churches.

I. T. Prevette.
O. L. Darnall.

The committee on Religious exercises reported that Rev. W. J. Combs would preach in the Baptist church to-night, and C. F. Fields in the Methodist church. Rev. T. M. Honeycut tomorrow, 11 A. M.

The Association adjourned, prayer by Rev. Milton McNeil.

Benediction by Prof. G. W. Greene.

THIRD DAY. *FRIDAY.*

Morning Session. 9½. A. M.

Prayer by Prof. G. W. Greene.

Rev W. W. Myers from Primitive accepted a seat as a visitor.

The committee on State Missions Reported.

After remarks by Revs. G. M. Burcham, T. M. Honeycut, and Prof. G. W. Greene a collection was raised amounting to $5.66. Centre $2.50. Cool Spring $5.50. Macedonia $2.50. Shoaly Branch $1.00. Liberty Grove $2.10. Poplar Spring $0.40. S. J. Greenwood 1.00. A. M. Church 2.00. for State Missions, and the report adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is the missionary work in the State of N. C. as conducted by the Baptist State Convention. The State Mission Board has in the field for this year 87 missionaries and 13 colportuers. Some of them are employed for a part and some for all their time. The Board is trying to have the Gospel preached in all the destitute places of our state. We call the attention of this

Association to the fact that they can help greatly in this work by contributing regularly to State Missions. We recommend this Association to appoint a missionary to labor in its bounds for the next year, also the appointment of an executive committee whose business shall be to look after the mission work during the year.

G. M. Burcham.
Jacob Staily.

Brother J. H. Mills, Superintendent of Baptist Orphanage, having arrived Rev. T. M. Honeycut declined to preach, giving his time to Brother Mills to speak on the Orphanage.

The Report on Baptist Orphanage was read by Rev. T. M. Honeycut.

Remarks were submitted by J. H. Mills and T. M. Honeycut. $24.12. was collected for Baptist Orphanage, and the report adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

At Thomasville there are 300 acres of land belonging to the Baptists of N. C. On this land there are springs of good water, abundance of wood and good land for cultivation. Already 3 dwellings have been erected sufficient to accomodate 72 children. But so numerous and so pressing have been the application that more than 90 children have been crowded in where there is only room for 72. Another building is in progress and will be finished as rapidly as contributions come in. Contributions are needed also for current support. If our pastors and brethren will bring the matter before the churches they will do their duty to this important work. The Scriptures are full of instruction as to our duty to the poor. Let not these Scriptures be overlooked. The children in the Sunday School will take pleasure in bringing their pennies for the needy orphans, if they have encouragement.

Give them an opportunity to follow the noble impulse of their hearts.

We recommend our people to take Charity and Children published at the Orphanage which will give them information about the work.

T. M. Honeycut.
A. M. Church.

Refreshments one hour.

Evening Session 1 P. M.

The committee on Home and Foreign Missions Reported.

Remarks by Rev. T. M. Honeycut, J. T. Fowlks, and Prof. G. W. Greene.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Mission is the act of sending, or the duty on which one is sent.

A missionary is a messenger, one sent to spread religion, or one who believes in mission work and the spread of Christianity.

Every Christian must be a missionary at heart. In our judgments the mission work is a very importment branch of the duties of the Baptist Church.

The Foreign Mission work is simply a part of the missionary work laid upon us by the great commission from the Master,—"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The spirit of missions is the soul of christianity. As the body without

the soul is dead, so a church without the missionary spirit is also dead.

Our mission work is rapidly extending itself, and calls urgently and touchingly upon us for reinforcements, not only for fields already occupied, but also for the "regions beyond," where the gospel has never been preached.

Then, let us show our faith by our work, and liberal contributions.

J. S. Greenwood.
J. A. Mc.Cann.

Treasurer's Report.

Received from committee on Finance	*$14.95*
For State Missions	*$23.20*
For Baptist Orphanage	*$ 8.35*
Total	*$46.50*

Paid Out

For Minutes	*$10.95*
To State Missions	*$23.20*
To Baptist Orphanage	*$ 8.35*
My own Fee	*$ 4.00*
Total	*$46.50*

C. F. FIELDS, TREASURER.

Committee on Finance Reported that they had received $15.60

Committee on Time and Place Reported that the next Session will be held with the church at Trap Hill, N. C., commencing on Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1889.

Appointed C. F. Fields to preach the Introductory Sermon. A. J. Williams Alternate.

Allowed the Clerk $4.00 for his services, and spend the balance for printing Minutes.

Committee on Colportage Reported. After remarks by T. M. Honeycut, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON COLPORTAGE.

Baptist hold important doctrines which are denied by other denominations.

We believe that fidelity to the truth requires us to advocate and support these doctrines, this we may do, not only by the public preaching of the word, but also by the circulation of the Bible and other Religious literature.

While all our people are in easy reach of churches, and can hear the Gospel if they will, but there are many who are not sufficiently interested in the subject of Religion to go to church. To these we ought to send the Gospel by Colportuers, who shall carry the Bible and goods books from house to house, preaching by the fireside, as well as more publicly in School houses and other neighborhood places. This is the work to be done by Colportures.

The Board of Missions of the State Convention desires the appointment of a committee of three to cooperate with them in the selection of a Colportuer.

Therefore we recommend the appointment of such committee on Colportage.

A. M. Church.
P. H. Cockerham.
J. S. Kilby.

Appointed A. M. Church, J. S. Kilby and P. H. Cockerham, an Executive Committee on Colportage.

Appointed Correspondents.

To Brier Creek, L. H. Carter, A. D. Myers. To Yadkin, C. F. Fields, O. L. Darnall. To Ashe and Alleghany, W. F. Byrd, D. J. Roberts, J. S. Kilby. To New River, C. F. Fields, J. A. McCann. To Baptist State Convention, W. F. Byrd, C. F. Fields, J. S. Kilby. To Southern Baptist Convention, J. A. McCann.

Committee on Religious exercises reported, that C. F. Fields would preach in the Baptist Church to-night, and W. F. Byrd in the Methodist Church. Rev. T. M. Honeycut to-morrow at 11 A. M. Rev. G. W. Greene at 1 P. M.

The committee appointed at last session to visit Rock Creek church failed to do so, having learned that the matter was settled satisfactorily by the church.

Resolved that we tender our thanks to the citizens and friends of this community for their kind hospitality in entertaining this Association.

May the blessing of God attend them. On motion adjourned to time and place of next session.

Prayer by Rev. T. M. Honeycut.

Benediction by C. F. Fields.

C. F. Fields, Clerk. Rev. W. F. Byrd. Moderator.

SABBATH.

Sabbath 10½ A. M. Spent half an hour in Prayer Meeting.

Rev. T M. Honeycut preached an able sermon, after which a collection was raised amounting to $11.00 to help finish Trap Hill church.

1 P. M. Rev. G. W. Greene preached an interesting sermon, Text 1st. Kings 20 : 40. The preaching was such as God delights to bless.

Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Post Office.	Clerks.	Post Office	Added by Baptism.	Added by Letter.	Added by Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Dismissed by Excluded.	Dismissed by Deceased.	In Fellowship.	Minute Fund.	Sabbath.
Baptist Home.	Not represneted.												
Center.	Wm. Harris,	Kapp's Mill,	J. A. McCann,	Roaring Gap,			1	4			44	1 00	1
Cool Springs.	C. F. Fields,	Benham,	N. J. Walls,	Benham,	10	12	2	2	3	1	252	2 57	2
Fishing Creek.	A. T. Pardue,	Adly,	T. B. James,	Wilkesboro,	1				2		22	35	1
Gum Orchard.	W. F. Byrd,	Lomax,	E. D. Smith,	Kapp'sMill,	15						46	55	2
Liberty Grove.	White & Burchitt,	Wilkesboro,	A. M. Church,	Wilkesboro,	2			1	1		51	1 20	4
Long Creek.	Not represented,												
Macedonia.	John Hughes,	Byrd,	J. T. Edwards,	Ronda,	8	5		1		1	37	65	1
Mt. Carmel.	Wm. Harris,	Kapp's Mill,	J. M. Jordan,	Cherry Lane,	3						20	85	4
Mt. Pisgah.	J. W. Burchitt,	Wilkesboro	Filix Brewer,	Dockery,	3			4		1	45	1 00	1
Mt. Pleasant.	C. F. Fields,	Benham,	P. H. Cockerham	State Road,	14	8			3	2	33	1 10	4
Pleasant Home.	W. F. Byrd,	Lomax,	L. D. Burcham,	Lomax,	6	1		4	2		80	1 33	4
Poplar Springs.	C. F. Fields,	Benham,	S. E. Gentry,	State Road,	5	3			1		24	60	3
Rock Creek.	A. E. Myers,	Round Mt.	A. Brewer,	Round Mt.							104	90	2
Shady Grove.	M. McNeal,	Wilkesboro,	P. H. Pardue,	Adly,	9	3				3	62	65	2
Shoaly Branch.	C. F. Fields,	Benham,	L. H, Carter,	Elkin,	1						47	75	3
Trap Hill.	T. M. Honeycut,	Sparta,	J. S. Brinegar,	Trap Hill,	10	13	1	2			40	1 50	1
Union Hill.	Not represented.												
White Plain.	D. J. Roberts,	Cherrylane,	D. R. Edwards,	Roaring River,	12			4	1	4	102	60	3

PROCEEDINGS

TRAP HILL, N. C. Thursday Oct. 3rd. 1889.

First Day. Morning Session.

The Elkin Baptist Association convened in her Eleventh Annual Session with Trap Hill Church Thursday, Oct. 3rd. 1889.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by C. F. Fields, Text Col. 3: 3, 4. Refreshments 20 minutes.

1 O'CLOCK, P. M,

The Association convened.

Prayer by Rev. John Hughes.

Letters from the different churches were presented and read, and the names of delegates enrolled.

DELEGATES.

Center, C. C. Gentry, J. N. Barker, J. A. McCann.
Cool Springs. J. M. Gambell, J. W. Fields, Hiram Settle.
Gum Orchard W. H. Melton, A. J. Williams.
Liberty Grove A. M. Church, G. M. Woodruff, E. M. Bowles.
Macedonia, J. S. Poplin, J. A. Poplin.
Mt. Carmel, J. M. Jordan, W. B. Kenedy, C. P. Mc.Cann.
Mt. Pisgah, J. Staily, N. Ingool, R. Lyon.
Mt. Pleasant. P. H. Cockerham.
Pleasant Home J. H. Dimmett, W. M. Gentry, L. S. Jolly.
Poplar Springs S. E. Gentry, J. F. Burcham, S. A. Pardue.
River Side, P. H. Caudle, J. R. Caudle, J. B. Pardue.
Rock Creek, S. Blackburn, J. A. Brewer.
Shady Grove, Finly Joines, A. T. Pardue, R. T. Yates,
Shoaly Branch H. F. Carter, John Hughes.
Trap Hill, L. W. Sparks, Wm. Sparks, J. S. Kilby,
Union Hill, James Holcomb.
White Plains, D. R. Edwards, W. S. Edwards, W. A. Tharp.

Proceeded to the election of officers for the year, which resulted in the re-election of Rev. W. F. Byrd, Moderator and C. F. Fields Clerk.

Invited correspondents and visitors, Rev. E. N. Gwyn, From Brier Creek, Rev. W. J. Combs, J. S. Holbrook, R. J. Blackburn From Primitive Rev. J. H. Lewellyn, M. L. Woodhouse and G. P. Haral From Yadkin. Rev. S. F. Thompson From Kentucky.

On motion authorize the Moderator to make all temporary appointments.

APPOINTED THE USUAL COMMITTEES.

Arrangements, J. M. Gambell, S. Blackburn, J. S, Poplin, W. H. Melton. J, W. Fields with Moderator Clerk and Correspondents
Finance. E. M. Bowles, J. A. Mc.Cann.
Religious Exercises J. Staily, Wm. Sparks, with Pastor & Delegates of this church.
Periodicals E. N. Gwyn, J. A. Jordan.
Education J. S. Holbrook, A. T. Pardue.
Sabbath Schools D. R. Edwards, A. E. Myers.
State Missions Wm. Harris. S. E. Gentry,
Home & Foreign Missions, A. J. Williams, P. H. Caudle.
Temperance, Hiram Settle, John Hughes.
Pastoral & Church Relation. J. A. Brewer, R. P. Yates.
Special Changes, W. S. Edwards, L. S. Jolly,
Time & Place, j. S. Kilby, C. P. Mc.Cann.
Baptist Orphanage, j. H. Lewellyn, jacob Staily.

Correspondents reported W. F. Byrd and C. F. Fields attended the Yadkin. W. F. Byrd and A. E. Myers attend the Primitive. John Hughes attended the Brier Creek.

On motion meet at 9, A. M. adjourn at 11, A. M. for preaching. Meet at 1, P. M. adjourn at will.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported that Wm. Harris would preach to-night and A. T. Pardue to-morrow 11, A. M.

On motion adjourned, Prayer by Rev. S. F. Thompson.

Benediction by the Moderator.

SECOND DAY FRIDAY.

MORNING SESSION, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. E. N. Gwyn.

The committee on arrangements reported.

Called the roll of Delegates.

Read proceeding Minutes.

Read Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Invited correspondents, J. N. Myers from Primitive. D. M. Stamper from Ash and Aleghany.

The committee on Pastoral and Church relation offered the following: Remarks by S. F. Thompson, J. H. Lewellyn, E. N. Gwyn and G. P. Haral, and the report adopted.

REPORT PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION.

We your committee on Pastoral and Church relation will say, We feel ourselves under many obligations to our pastor because we know that he can not perform unless aided and supported by the churches, neither can the church prosper as she should unless the pastor is constantly looking

after and caring for her.

Therefore the relation is very close.

R. P. Yates, } Committee.
J. A. Brewer, }

Adjourned for preaching Sermon by Rev. A. T. Pardue, Text John 7: 37. Refreshments one hour.

EVENING SESSION 1 P. M.

The Association convened.

The committee on Periodicals reported.

Remarks by Revs. E. N. Gwyn, J. H. Lewellyn, S. F. Thompson and Bro. G. P. Haral, and the report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

The bee gathers honey from flower to flower so do men, women and children receive knowledge from every thing they read: and that knowledge is indelibly stamped upon the mind, producing its good or evil influence.

How important then to read that which is good and solid. The obscure TRASH that is now flooding our land, for our people to read is as poisonous to the mind as arsenic is to the vitals of human life.

The Biblical Recorder, should be in the family of every one. It gives us the news of the times, and acquaint us with the general work of the church at home and abroad. As a Baptist family, it brings us in close relationship with each other. It is a safe paper to place in the hands of our children. It has been doubly enlarged with greater cost to the Editor, but at the same price to the subscriber. Ministers get it at $ 1 00 and others $ 2 00 per year.

We hope the Pastor of this church will procure subscribers during this session so that its pages may be read all over our mountain country, giving us such information as we realy need.

We do cheerfully recommend the Lesson Helps and literature furnished by the Sunday School Supply Store at Raleigh for the Sunday Schools. Our Home Fields. Kind words and the Foreign Mission Journal as being worthy the patronage of all.

E. N. Gwyn, } Committee.
J. A. Jordan, }

The committee on Temperance offered their report

After remarks by Revs. John Hughes, A. J. Williams, S. F. Thompson, A. E. Myers, W. J. Combs, C. F. Fields, W. F. Byrd and Bro. J. A. Mc.Cann, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We your committee on Temperance beg leave to say that the immoderate use of intoxicating liquors and all evil practices such as is not glorifying

God, and advancing his cause, is not running the race that is set before us.

Therefore we advise God's children that whatever they do in word or deed do all to the glory of God.

John Hughes, } Committee.
Hiram Settle, }

On motion adopted the following resolutions

Resolved that we advise our churches to hold no member who makes buyes sells or drinks spirituous liquors as a beverage. Also instruct our pastors to urge the matter in their churches.

The committee on Sabbath Schools reported. On motion the report was adopted to be discussed in Sunday School mass meeting at 9, o'clock Snnday.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School is an important auxiliary to the church. In its origin and organization it is seperate and distinct from the church.

The chief object of the Sunday School should be to prepare the mind for the reception of the Gospel, and to teach the Bible as the Bible is to the exclusion of isms and traditions.

At the present day it is almost under the controle of the church, but in its origin it had no connection with the same, and should be used as an effectual means of disseminating Gospel truths.

A place fcr mental instruction, in teaching morality as well as Gospel truths.

We recommend that the association appoint a superintendant in each church to forward on the Sunday School work.

D. R. Edwards, } Committee.
A. E. Myers, }

The following is a list of superintendants,

Center-David Mc.Cann, Cool Springs-Hiram Settle, Fishing Creek-J. James, Gum Orchard-W. H. Melton, Macedonia-J. T. Edwards, Mt. Carmel-W. B. Kenedy, Mt.Pisgah-F. Brewer, Mt.Pleasant-P. H. Cockerham Pleasant Home-J. R. Jolly, Poplar Springs-S. E. Gentry, River Side-J. K. Franklin, Liberty Grove-J. C. Henderson, Rock Creek-A. Brewer, Shady Grove-R. P. Yates, Shoaly Branch- H. F. Carter, Trap Hill-J. S. Kilby, Union Hill-Wm. Harris, White Plains-Perry Byrd.

Appointed A. E. Myers, C. F. Fields and E. M. Bowles to visit Baptist Home church and learn the condition of the same and report to next Association.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported that Rev. S. Thompson would preach to-night and Rev. J. H. Lewellyn to-morrow 11. A. M.

On motion adjourned, Prayer by Rev. J. A. Jordan.

THIRD DAY, SATURDAY.

MORNING SESSION, 9 O'CLOCK.

Prayer by Rev. Wm. Harris.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The committee on Finance reported that they had received $18. 38.

The Treasurer reported.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Received from committee on Finance	*$15 60*
For State Missions	*22 66*
" Baptist Orphanage	*24 12*
" Trap Hill Church	*11 00*
" Education	*1 97*
Total	*75 35*

PAID OUT

For Minutes	*$11 60*
To State Missions	*22 66*
To Baptist Orphanage	*24 12*
To Trap Hill Church	*11 00*
To Education	*1 97*
My own fee	*4 00*
Total	*$75 35*

C. F. Fields Treasurer.

The committee on Time and Place reported that next session will meet with Cool Spring Church 4 miles north of Elkin, on Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1890.

Appolnted Rev. A. J. Williams to preach the introductory sermon. Rev Wm. Harris alternate.

On motion allowed the clerk $5. 00 for his services and spend the balance in printing minutes.

On motion ordered the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith to be attached to the minutes.

Invited correspondents Prof. G. W. Green S. J. Jinnings, from Brushy Mountain, Math. Absher, S. Q. Myers and J. J. Caudle from Primitive.

On motion the committee on State & Home & Foreign Missions both reported.

After remarks by Rev. Wm Harris, G. W. Green and J. C. Stoal, the reports were adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

There is no department of our work that is more worthy or commends itself any more to our minds and hearts than the State Mission work. Your committee regards it of importance and more binding upon us than any other department of our church work, for without it our christian work would be incomplete. If we would have all other departments of our work to prosper we must first give the Gospel to our people and aid in their conversion: and build up strong churches in our own State.

The State Mission Board has decided to employ 82 consecrated men to

to preach the Gospel in destitute places within the State. We request that our churches be more liberal to help in the State Mission work

Wm. Harris, } Committee.
S. E. Gentry, }

REPORT ON HOME & FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We believe the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

Christ commanded his disciples to go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

We believe that one who is called of God will preach all that he can, if he does not receive contributions from the churches; but we believe that it is the duty of all the churches to give liberally of their substance to the support of the Gospel so that the servant of God can devote more of his time to studying and preaching the gospel. Give and it shall be given you good measure, shaken together and running over, shall men give into your bosom. "God loves a cheerful giver."

Honor the Lord with thy substance so shall thy barns be filled with plenty and thy presses burst out with new wine.

A. J. Williams, } Committee.
P. H. Caudle, }

Took up collection for State Missions amounting to $ 6.80

Macedonia sends $2.50, Center $1.00, for State Missions.

On motion adopted the following resolution.

Whereas there is great destitution in our own bounds.

Therefore resolved that we advise our Executive committee to employ a man to supply this destitution, and ask the State Mission Board to endorse him.

On motion give our Executive committee authority to manage the mission and colportage work in the Association.

On motion adjourned for one hour.

EVENING SESSION 1. P. M.

The Association convened.

The committee on Baptist Orphanage offered report, which was adopoted to be discussed Sabbath 11 A. M.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Baptists of N. C. have established a home for destitute orphan children at Thomasville, which is under the superintendence of Bro. J. H. Mills who seems to be eminently fitted by nature for such a responsible position.

There are grounds admirably adapted to the needs of such an institution belonging to it, on which suitable buildings are being erected for the accommodation of 112 orphans which are now gathered, for the support of which the institution is dependent upon the voluntary contributions of

the people.

The object being to care for educate and bring up to some useful occupation the children, and thus fit them for usefulness in coming life. Dear brethren this cause commends itself to your liberality, and prayerful consideration.

J. H. Lewellyn, }
Jacob Staily, } Committee.

The Executive committee reported.

After remarks by Thomas Crabb, J. H. Lewellyn and Wm. Harris the the report was adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee on colportage are glad to report good success in this work. Bro. Thos. Crabb has been employed as colporter for 5 months and the summary of his work is as follows:

Miles traveled 1188. Families visited 939. Families destitute of the Bible 175. Amount of books sold & given $145 15 Days worked 104.

Bro. Crabb has worked hard and faithful, and at least ¼ of territory has not been reached.

We hope that the colportage work in connection with the Sunday School work will be kept up till the Bible shall be placed in every house, and a good Sunday School be organized in every church in our bounds.

A. M. Church, }
J. S. Kilby, } Executive Committee.
P. H. Cockerham, }

The committee on Education offered their report.

After remarks by A. T. Pardue, G. W. Green, G. P. Haral and S. F. Thompson the report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The necessity of education is obvious to all the brethren, who would keep up with the times in the march of progress and improvement.

The most hopeful signs for us as a denomination are the increasing desire to learn. A great many Associations are building schools, let us be with them in this matter.

This Association has already decided to build an Academy.

We recommend the moderator appoint a committee of three to select a site and to act as a building committee.

We also recommend that the moderator appoint 9 trustees of said Academy.

A. T. Pardue, }
J. S. Holbrook, } Committee.

On motion appointed C. F. Fields to visit the Primitive Association, and ask them to co-operate with us in building an Academy.

Appointed L. W. Sparks, W. S. Edwards and J. P. Holdrook a

committee to select a site for the Academy and to act as a building committee.

Appointed S. J. Greenwood, C. F. Fields, A. M. Church J. A. Mc.Cann and J. S. Kilby trustees of the Academy

On motion adopted the following resolutions.

Whereas we shall need funds to build an Academy.

Therefore resolved that the moderator appoint 5 brethren to act as a soliciting committee.

Appointed A. M. Ghurch, S. J. Greeowood, A. E. Myers, Felix Brewer and G. M. Burcham, to solicit funds to build an Academy.

APPOINTED CORRESPONDENTS.

To Brier Creek J. W. Burchitt, J. A. Jordan.
' Ashe & Aleghany J. W. Burchitt J. M. Jordan.
' New River C. F. Fields, W. F. Byrd.
' Yadkin C. F. Fields, A. J. Williams.
' Primitive G. M. Woodruff, J. A. Jordan.
' Brushy Mountain A. T. Pardue, F. Joines.
' Baptist State Convention J. S. Kilby, J. A. Mc.Cann.
' Southern Baptist Convention W. F. Byrd, C. F. Fields.

The committee on religious exercises reported that Prof. G. W. Green would preach to-night, and J. W. Oliver would speak on the Orphanage at 11 A. M. to-morrow, and J. H. Lewellyn at 1 P. M.

Resolved that we tender our thanks to the brethren and friends of this community for their kind hospitality in entertaining this Association.

Adjourned to time and place of next session.

Prayer by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn.

Benediction by Rev. S. F. Thompson.

C. F. Fields. CLERK. Rev. W. F. Byrd. MODERATOR.

SABBATH,

9 O'CLOCK.

Met in Sunday School mass meeting. Speaking by Prof. G. P. Haral, Rev. J. H. Lewellyn and Rev. S. F. Thompson.

At 11 A. M. J. W. Oliver addressed the audience on the Orphanage at the stand, after which there was raised a collection amounting to $18.07 for Baptist Orphanage.

1 P. M. Rev. J. H. Lewellyn preached an able sermon text Malachi, 3: 16, 17. The preaching was such as God delights to bless.

Thus passed another pleasant session of the Elkin Association.

CLERK.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. This Association shall be known as the Elkin Baptist Association and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches; each church being entitled to three delegates, and all regular ordained ministers as members ex officio.

2d. The object of this Associaticn shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom upon earth.

3d. The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church a letter certifying their appointments, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof,

4th. The Association just formed shall choose, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall continue in office for one year, and until others are chosen. The last two offices may be held by the same individual.

5th. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each session; to decide questions of order, subject to an appeal of the house by any member and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

6th. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceeding of each session of the Association; and keep a minute of each session and to perform other duty assigned to him by the Association.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all the funds coming into his hands and to report the same at the order of the Association.

8th. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five members, besides the moderator and clerk.

9th. All letters or grievances or queries, together with all letters from corresponding associations requiring any attention thereon, shall be submitted to the committee on arrangements, and reported back to the association.

10th. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage, but shall only be considered as advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulations of the churches.

11th. When an offense may have been committed by one church againts another, or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the Association (after due labors have been had between the offending and offended churches, or an individual church, as the case be, to take the matter into consideration and advise upon it.

12th. The Association shall not maintain permanent fellowship towards any of her churches which neglect to institute and preserve Gospel order among their members, nor any of her churches and ministers that treat her constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence, such as promote Gospel principles and order

13th. It shall be the province of this Association to invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

14th. The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constitution) be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the Association, except in extraordinary cases.

15th. Each church having an ordained or a licensed minister shall report the same to the association in order that they may appear as such on the face of the Minutes.

16th. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of her proceedings; and it shall be the duty of the churches to enable her to do so.

17th. The Association shall have a fund, created and sustained by voluntary contribution from the churches, which shall be held by the treasurer and subject to the disposition of a majority of the Association present at any annual session.

18th. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place as the body may, from time to time, designate.

19th. By appointment of the Association, there may be an Introductory, a Missionary and a Denominational sermon preached at each annual session.

20th. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, two-thirds of the members present, concurring.

21st. The benevolent institutions of the day shall be no bar or test of fellowship, but all shall be free to sustain or not sustain as they choose.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2d. The letters from the churches shall be read and the names of the delegates enrolled.

3d. A Moderator and Clerk chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

4th. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator; and while speaking, shall not be interrupted by any member. except the Moderator.

5th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and use no words calculated to irritate.

6th. No member shall abruptly break off or absent himself, with-out leave of the Association.

7th. No member shall speak more than three times upon one subject, without leave of the Association.

8th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the ssociation, nor whispering in time of public speech.

9th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation but that of brother.

10th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

11th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the Clerk as often as the Association requires.

12th. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled; and he shall have no vote, unless the Association be equally divided.

13th. Queries presented by the churches shall be attended to by Association.

14th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

15th. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the Association, as they shall think proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1st. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. and these three are one.

2d. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the words of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3d. We believe in the doctrine of Election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will or ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God, shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed Righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances; and we believe the only true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked, will be eternal.

9th. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastors.	Post Office.	Clerks.	Post Office.	Added by Baptism	Added by Letter	Added by Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Dismissed by Excluded	Dismissed by Died	In Fellowship	Minute Fund	Sabbath
Baptist Home	not represented												
Center	D. J. Roberts	Cherrylane	J. A. Mc.Cann	Parks							41	60	1
Cool Spring	G. M. Burcham	Benham	Hiram Settle	Byrd	6	6		9	4	2	228	3.55	2
Fishing Creek	not represented												
Gum Orchard	C. F. Fields	Benham	E. D. Smith	Kapps Mill	3			2	2	2	45	1.22	2
Liberty Grove	C. F. Fields	Benham	A. M. Church	Knotville	3	2		1			55	80	4
Macedonia	John Hughes	Byrd	J. T. Edwards	Ronda	1			1		2	36	55	1
Mt. Carmel	Wm. Harris	Kapps Mill	J. M. Jordan	Cherrylane							19	75	4
Mt. Pisgah	J. W. Burchitt	Knotville	O. Brewer	Dockery	2			6			39	70	1
Mt. Pleasant	C. F. Fields	Benham	P. H. Cockerham	State Road				8	2	1	22	55	1
Pleasant Home	G. M. Burcham	Benham	L. D. Burcham	Lomax				3	3		73	1.35	4
Poplar Springs	C. F. Fields	Benham	S. E. Gentry	State Road	4	9		2	2		34	95	3
River Side	A. J. Williams	Kapps Mill	A. J. Thompson	Devotion	7	1				1	26	1.00	3
Rock Creek	A. E. Myers	Round Mountain	A. Brewer	Round Mountain		3		2	3		102	1.00	2
Shady Grove	M. Mc. Neal	Wilkesboro	R. P. Yates	Adly	6	2		1	3	1	66	1.36	2
Shoaly Branch	A. J. Williams	Kapps Mill	H. F. Carter	Ozark	3	2		7	1	3	37	85	1
Trap Hill	J. H. [illegible]wellyn	Dobson	J. S. Brinegar	Trap Hill	6	4		2	1		47	2.00	1
Union Hill	A. J. Williams	Kapps Mill	W. C. Harris	Kapps Mill				1	1	1	16	40	4
White Plain	W. F. Byrd	Lomax	D. R. Edwards	Roaring River					1	1	100	80	3
					41	29		45	23	14	986	1843	

PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

ELKIN

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

COOL SPRING CHURCH, WILKES CO., N. C.

October the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, 1890.

Rev. W. F. Byrd, Moderator, - - - Trap Hill, N. C.
C. F. Fields, Clerk, - - - Elkin, N. C.

The next Session will meet with Pleasant Home Church, 8 miles west of Elkin, on Thursday before the third Sunday in October 1891.

Ordained Ministers.

E. M. Bowles,	(L)	Bowles, N. C.
G. M Burcham		Benham, ' '
J. W. Burchitt,		Knotville, ' '
James Bullard,	(L)	Elkin Valley, ' '
W. F. Byrd		Burcham, ' '
L. H. Carter		Elkin, ' '
C. F. Fields		Benham, ' :
J. K. Franklin		Devotion, ' '
S. E. Gentry	(L)	State Road, ' '
Wm. Harris		Kapps Mill, ' ,
J. F. Harris	(L)	Benham, ' '
John Hughes		Byrd, ' '
S. L. Jolly	(L)	Byrd, ' '
J. A. Jordan		Round Mountain, ' '
Jonathan Lyon	[L]	Elkin Valley, ' '
C. P. McCann	(L)	Cherrylane, ' '
W. H. Melton	(L)	Kapps Mill, ' '
A. E. Myers		Round Mountain, ' '
H. Norton	(L)	Dobson, ' '
D. J. Roberts		Cherrylane, ' '
Hiram Settle	(L)	Byrd, ' '
E. A. Suits	(L)	Round Mountain, ' '
A. J. Williams		Kapps Mill, ' '

Those marked (L) are Licentiates.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

E. M. Bowles,	Bowles, N. C.
C. F. Fields,	Benham, ' '
J. S. Kilby,	Trap Hill, ' '

PROCEEDINGS.

COOL SPRING CHURCH,

Thursday, Oct. 2nd. 1890.

First day, Morning Session; The Elkin Baptist Association met in its Twelfth Annual Session at Cool Spring Church, Wilkes County, N. C.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. E. N. Gwyn, Text 2nd. Corinthians. 13, 11.

Refreshments, 20 minutes.

1, O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Association convened.

Prayer by Rev. W. F. Byrd Moderator of last year.

The letters from the different churches were presented, read, and the names of delegates enrolled.

The door being opened for the reception of newly constituted churches when the church at Elkin was received.

DELEGATES.

Center.	D. J. McCann, J. R. McCann. J. A. McCann,
Cool Spring.	O. L. Darnall, J. M. Gambill, N. J. Walls.
Elkin,	E. N. Gwyn, C. E. Ward, J. W. Hutson.
Fishing Creek.	A. Miller, S. B. Miller, S. R. Qqeen.
Gum Orchard.	W. H. Melton, T. J. White, B. J. Snow.
Liberty Grove.	E. M. Bowles, G. M. Woodrufl, H. Wiles.
Macedonia.	J. S. Poplin, L. C. Billings, J. T. Edwards.
Mt. Carmel.	C. P. McCann, D. J. Roberts.
Mt.Pisgah.	Felix Brewer,
Pleasant Home.	Thos. Byrd, C. F. Darnall, H. Cockerham.
Poplar Spring.	J. F.Burcham, J. A. Chipman, S. E. Gentry.
River Side.	P. H. Caudle, J. R. Caudle, J. B. Pardue.
Rock Creek.	E. M. Blackburn, Sam. Sabastian.
Shady Grove.	H. J. Steelman.
Shoaly Branch.	E. S. Dickerson, R. G. Phillips, L. B. Murry.
Trap Hill.	J. S. Kilby, Wm. Sparks, Thos. Crabb.
Union Cross.	C. C. Holyfield, E. F. Desern.
Union Hill.	Jas. Holcomb, Wm. Harris.
White Plains.	D. R. Edwards, S. J. Greenwood.

On motion proceeded to the election of officers for the year, which resulted in the re-election of Rev. W. F. Byrd Moderator, and C. F. Fields Clerk. On motion appointed the usual committees.

Arrangements. *J. S. Kilby, J. R. McCann, F. Brewer, Thos. Byrd, G. M. Woodruff.*
Finance. *J. W. Hutson, J. R. Caudle.*
Religious Exercises. *Pastor and Delegates of this church.*
Periodicals. *D. R. Edwards, E. M. Blackburn.*
Education. *J. A. McCann, C. F. Fields.*
Sabbath Schools. *Rev. E. N. Gwyn, E. M. Bowles.*
State Missions. *Rev. D. J. Roberts, J. T. Edwards.*
Home & Foreign Missions. *Rev. W. A. Myers, Hiram Settle.*
Temperance. *Rev's E. N. Gwyn. Wm. Harris.*
Pastoral & Church Relation. *J. S. Kilby, J. A. McCann.*
Special Changes. *C. P. McCann, J. W. Fields.*
Time & Place. *W. H. Melton, J. S. Poplin.*
Baptist Orphanage. *J. W. Hix, Thomas Crabb.*

On motion, F. Brewer and D. R. Edwards were appointed to nominate an Executive Committee. Invited Correspondents; Rev. W. A. Myers from Brier Ceek.

Correspondents Reported; Rev. W. F. Byrd, J. S. Kilby and E. M. Bowles attended Ashe and Alleghany. G. M. Woodruff, Rev. W. F. Byrd and C. F. Fields attended the Primitive.

Correspondents Appointed: To Ashe and Alleghany, E. N. Gwyn, C. F. Fields
Brier Creek, D. R. Edwards, D. J. Roberts, E, N. Gwyn, O. L. Darnall, J. W.Hix, J. S. Poplin.
Brushy Mountain, W. F. Byrd, E. M. Bowles.
Yadkin, L. B. Murry, O. L. Darnall.
Primitive, E. N. Gwyn, J. W. Hix.

On motion C. F. Fields, J. S. Kilby and E. N. Gwyn, were appointed to visit the Mountain Union and ask for correspondence.

On motion, meet at 9 A. M. adjourn at 11 A. M. for preaching. Meet at 1 P. M. adjourn at will.

On motion adjourned until 9 A. M tomorrow, Prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers.

Second Day.

Morning Session 9, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. A. E. Myers. Called the roll of Delegates.

The committee of Arrangments reported. Read preceeding minutes.

Read Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of faith.

The committee appointed at last session to visit Baptist Home Church (viz:) Rev. A. E. Myers, E. M. Bowles and C. F. Fields, failed to do so.

On motion the Committee was continued.

The Committee to nominate an Executive Committee recommended J. S. Kilby, E. M. Bowles and C. F. Fields. The report was adopted.

Invited correspondents and visitors, Rev. W. L. Wright from Beulah, Clem Nance and J. A McKaughan from Yadkin, Rev. W. J. Combs from Primitive. The building commitee and Trustees offered the following which was adopted.

REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE & TRUSTEES.

We your committee of last year on site for an Academical School to be under the control of the Baptist denomination, met and selected a nice convenient lot in Trap Hill, and agreed to build a two story house 26 X 50 feet.

The under story is finished and well seated and has been occupied by the school since the 28th. of July 1890.

Respectfully submitted.

W. S. Edwards,
L. W. Sparks,
J. P. Holbrook, } Committee.

The following Trustees appointed by the Elkin and Primitive Association viz: J. S. Holbroob, J. A. Pruitt, J. A. McCann, Joshua Spicer, C. F. Fields and J. S. Kilby, met and organized by electing J. S. Holbrook chairman, C. F. Fields Secetary.

We engaged Rev. J. H. Yarboro as Principal of the Institution.

The first session opened on the 3rd. of February and enrolled 87 students.

The present session opened the 28th. of July and have enrolled 77 stud— ents, with flattering prospects for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. Holbrook Chairman. C. F. Fields, Secretary.

The Executive Committee offered the following which was adopted.

DEAR BRETHREN.

We are sorry to note that there has not been the advancement in our Association that there should have been, yet there has been some good work done. We have been enabled by the help of the Board of Missions to keep on the field as colporters a part of the year, Bro. Thos. Crabb and Elder Wm. Harris. Bro Crabb worked hard and we trust done a great deal of good selling and giving the word of God to those who did not have it, Bro. Harris worked faithfully, visiting and talking to the people and getting the churches to take a deeper interest in the Sunday School work, until very nearly all of our churches have organized a Sunday School and we hope that they will keep them up. Brethren let's go to work in earnest now in the Sunday School, Mission and Colportage work in our own bounds, for the field is white unto harvest. We advise you to get and keep at work, at least one Missionary and Colporter who shall visit the churches, teach the people their duty towards the objects fastened by the Baptist State Convention, see that there is a Sunday School organized in each church, have protrcted meetings and preach at mission points when he may do good and advance the masters Kingdom. Also sell and give the Bible to all our people who have not the word of God, talk and pray with the people at their homes and advance the Lord's cause in this way. The work is before us and as christians let us double our efforts in both, working and giving. "Think of it". Jesus gave himself for us.

A. M. Church.
J. S. Kilby.
P. H. Cockerham. } Executive Committee.

Received Union Cross Church by letter from the Yadkin Association.

The committee on Sabbath Schools offered the following which was adopted to be discussed in mass-meeting, Sabbath, 9 A. M.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Sabbath Schools are schools taught on the Sabbath. We are glad to report that many of the churches have good schools. Every church should engage heartily in this work. It is the best means of increasing bible knowledge. It was the custom of those in ancient days to go up to the synagogue from all quaters to hear the reading of God's law. Our blessed Savior stood up and read God's law to the people on the Sabbath day. God will hold us to account for the manner in which we spend this day. Some one has said that the denomination that pays most attention to the children at present will be the denomination of the future. God will hold parents to full account for the training of their children, we should give our children more Scriptural training and less worldly wicked training. We recommend that the pastors supervise this work at their churches, that every member be a member of the Sabbath School and that parents train their children by going with them to the Sabbath School, in doing this God will bless them and their children.

The Bible should be the book taught, and then use all the helps we can get. We recommend the appointment of a superintendent in each church.

E. N. Gwyn.
E. M. Bowles. } Committee.

LIST OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

Center, David McCann
Cool Spring, O. L. Darnall
Eikin, E. N. Gwyn
Fishing creek, J. James
Gum Orchard, W. H, Melton
Macedonia, J. T. Edwards
Mt. Carmel, W. B. Kenedy
Mt Pisgah, F. Brewer
Mt Pleasant, J. V. Golden
Poplar Sprjngs, S. E Gentry
Pleasant Home, J. R Jolly
River Side, J. K Franklin
white Plains, D. R. Edwards
Liberty Grove, E. M. Bowles
Rock creek, A. Brewer
Shoaly Branch, H. F Carter
Trap Hill, Thos. Crabb
Union Hill, Wm. Harris
Union Cross, H. Norton

The committee on state missions reported.

After remarks by Rev. W. L. Wright the report was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We have this year ninety missionaries on the various fields through whose labors souls are saved, the people indoctrinated, new churches built, sunday schools organized, and the masters kingdom extended. While these faithful men of God are laboring on these hard mission fields and their labors are being blest, we should remember that there is much destitution in the state yet, and that the command of our Lord ,"Go ye into all the world and preach

the gospel to every creature'' is binding on us who propose to be his disciples.

Let each member of our churches increase his contribution and pray more earnestly for State missions during the coming year.

D. J. Roberts.
J. T. Edwards. } Committee.

Collection for State Missions $8.00

The following pledges were made by the churches:

Center, $2.00 Cool Spring, $2.00 Liberty Grove, $2.00 Macedonia, $3.00 Mt. Carmel, $2.50 Mt. Pisgah, $1.00 Pleasant Home, $3.00 River Side, $1.00 Rock Creek, $1.50 Trap Hill, $5.00 Union Hill, 50 cts. White Plane, $3.00 Elkin, $4.00 Union Cross, $1.00 S. E. Gentry 25cts. Total $31.75.

Adjourned for dinner.

EVENING SESSION.

1 P. M.

The Association convened.

Invited correspondents and visitors J. S. Holbrook, W. M. Absher and J. Blackburn from Primitive. J. H. Yarboro from Green River.

The committee an Education reported, remarks by W. L. Wright, J. H. Yarboro, J. H. Foot, W. A. Myers and J, A. McKaughan.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The cause of Education is hopeful and the interest increasing. We rejoice to find many parents who have it in their hearts to educate their children. Our schools of high grade are prospering beyond our most sanguine expectations.

We would entreat parents to make every reasonable effort to give their children at least a good English Education. And for this purpose we recommend Trap Hill Institute under the supervision of Rev. J. H. Yarboro, Moravian Falls Academy and Dockery Academy, as preparetory schools to Wake Forest College.

Respectfully submitted

C. F. Fields,
J. A. McCann. } Committee.

The committee on Home and Foreign Missions reported. Remarks by Rev. W. L. Wright and J. H. Foot, and the report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME & FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Home missions. This field embaces all the Southern States, the Indian Territoty and Cuba. Our Home Board had in its employ last year among our native white population 270 missionaries, among the Indians 30, and has aided in the support of 45 colored missionaries in preaching to their own race.

The Board received last year from all sources $171.076.22 and with this money and God's blessing the following work and more has been done.

Churches & Stations supplied	*1.182*	*Sunday Schools Organized,*	*336*
Sermons & Addrseses,	*38.741*	*Religious Visits,*	*53.010*
Prayer meetings,	*7.210*	*Churches Organized,*	*267*
Baptisms,	*4.477*	*Houses of worship built,*	*84*
Received by Letter.	*3,621*	*Pages of Tracts distributed,*	*857.400*

Bibles & Testaments given away, 5.728.

who can estimate the value of these influences in time and eternity.

God has signally blessed this work, especially in Cuba, that strong hold of Catholicism. We have nearly 2000 church members, Daiz in prison once, at Santiago DeCuba, singing in jail, baptising Jailor and Mayor, life sought by an assassin's hand, an effort to bribe him, a child stolen, in prison again, a day and night in the deep, picked up at sea; How all this reads like a chapter in missions in the first century? it is a chapter in the acts of one of the apostles in the nineteenth century. The Work of Foreign Missions presents many difficulties. The number of heathen is more than eight hundred millions and they are scattered over immense districts of the earth. Many of them are in low grades of civilization and many of them are savage. To give them the gospel, home and friends must be given up, oceans crossed, difficult languages mastered, and ancient religions over-turned.

The churches are showing an increased interest in the work, they gave over $10.000,00 to the work last year, more than the year before.

New missions are being established and hundreds of heathens converted every year.

These are our encouragements but the greatest of all our encouragements are, " Ask of me and I will give thee the heathen and the uttermost parts of the earth for a possession," and Christ's promise, "Lo, I am with you always unto the end of the world." The outlook is as bright and encouraging as the everlasting promises of God.

W. A. Myers,
Hiram Settle, } Committee.

The following pledges were made by the churches for Foreign Missions:

Center,	*$1.00*	*Pleasant Home,*	*1.00*
Cool Springs,	*2.00*	*River Side,*	*25cts.*
Elkin,	*1.00*	*Rock Creek,*	*1.00*
Gum Orchard,	*50cts.*	*Shoaly Branch,*	*1.00*
Liberty Grove,	*1.00*	*Trap Hill,*	*1.00*
Macedonia,	*1.00*	*Union Cross,*	*1.00*
Mt. Pisgah,	*1.00*	*White Plane,*	*1.00*
		Total	*$13.75*

Adjourned until 9 A. M. to-morrow.

Prayer by Rev. W. L. Wright.

THIRD DAY.

Morning Session 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. J. A. McKaughan.

Read preceeding minutes,

Invited Correspondents J. L. Padgitt, J. E. Childers, J. H. Foot and Noah Gordan, from Brier Creek,

Rev. W. B. Woodruff, from Yadkin.

The Committee on Pastoral and Church Relations reported.

Remarks by Rev. W. A. Myers, Rev. W. J. Combs. J. H. Foot, J. A. McKaughan and the report adopted.

REPORT ON PASTORAL & CHURCH RELATIONS.

Your Committee belive that there are two sides to this question, one of which is, that ministers should minister to the people in holy things and break to them the bread of life faithfully and the people in turn should minister to the temporal necessities of the pastor. The consecrated and devoted minister is entitled to his support. "Who goeth a warfare at anytime at his own charge," " The laborer is worthy of his hire." And again the minister should "Feed the flock of God," under his care taking the oversight therof, " not by constraint, but willingly, not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind, neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being exsamples to the flock," when the ministry shall fully discharge the work in which they are engaged and the churches fully discharge their duty to the pastor, then we may confidently look for the churches to reach a power and efficienty she has not yet attained. For this let us work. For this let us pray.

J. S. Kilby,
J. A. McCann. } Committee.

The Committee on Temperance reported.

Remarks by Rev. E. N. Gwyn, Rev. J. A. McKaughan and C. F. Fields and the report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We belive that the Bible plainly teaches Temperance in all things. Temperate in eating, not eat to gluttony, Temperate in talking, not talk abusive about one another, especially about our brother and sister in the church, Temperate in dressing, not dress rediculous nor contemptable.

We infer that the Bible idea of Temperance, is the moderate use of all things that is right and necessary, and the abstinance from all things that are hurtful and has the appearance of evil. As regards the Liquor traffic; The church the ground and pillar of truth, the salt of the earth, the light of the world, should stand on the Bible platform of Temperance, knowing that

Whiskey and Brandy are the greatest evils that blot the church and curse humanity.

E. N. Gwyn,
Wm. Harris, } Committee.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

EVENING SESSION.

1 P. M.

The Association convened.

The Committee on Finance report that they had received $16.35.

The Treasurer reported.

TREASURE'S REPORT.

Received for State Missions.	*$10.30*
" " Baptist Orphanage,	*18.07*
" from Committee of Finance,	*18.38*
Total	*$46.75*

PAID OUT AS FOLLOWS.

To State Missions,	*$10. 30*
" Baptist Orphanage,	*18. 07*
" Printing Minutes,	*13. 38*
" My own Fees,	*5. 00*
Total	*$46. 75*

C. F. Fields, Treasurer.

$7.30 Cash and $28.00 in lumber was raised for ceiling Elkin Baptist Church.

The Committee on time and place reported that next session will be held with Pleasant Home Church 8 miles west of Elkin on Thursday before the third Sunday in October 1891. Appointed A. J. Williams to preach the Introductory Sermon. Wm. Harris Alternate. Allowed the Clerk $5.00 for his services and spend the balance of the minute fund for printing minutes.

Appointed J. S. Kilby, J. A. McCann, J. S. Holbrook, C. F. Fields and W. F. Byrd, Delegates to the Baptist State Convention, and E. N. Gwyn to Southern Baptist Convention.

The Committee on Baptist Orphanage reported. After remarks by J. H. Foot, A. T. Pardue, J. A. McKaughan and W. A. Myers, the report was adopted.

Collection for Orphanage $17.80. Macedonia Church sends $2.20 for Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage has grown in the hearts of our brethren, and we now have a tract of land of about 300 acres, several buildings are already completed

and occupied by more than 125 happy children who are being fed, clothed and taught the rudiments of an education, and what is more, many of the useful avocations of life. It has a printing press operated by the children, and a splendid little paper called *Charity and Children,* which is issued by their own hands, any one contributing $1.00 to the support of the orphans, will get this paper for one year free.

We should feel profoundly thankful to God that he put it into the hearts of the Baptists to care for the orphan children of North Carolina,

Thos. Crabb. }
J. W. Hicks. } Committee.

A collection was raised amounting to $17.70 for the Baptist Orphanage.

The Committee on Periodicals reported.

After remarks by Rev. J. H. Yarboro and J. H. Foot, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Solomon says "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he gets old he will not depart from it." This being the case, we should place good literature in the hands of our Children that they may gain the proper information. The Bible is to be placed first of all before the people and in our families, and we should read it with more seriousness that we may be able to impart the proper information. We recommend the Biblical Recorder, it contains the news of the times, and acquaints us with the work of the Baptist at home and abroad. We also recommend Kind Words, a paper published at Atlanta Ga. Foreign Mission Journal and Charity and Children.

For Sunday School Liturature, Song Books &c, we recommend the Baptist Supply Store at Raleigh, N. C. conducted by Rev. C. Durham.

D. K. Edwards. }
E. M. Blackburn. } Committee.

On motion dismissed Shady Grove Church by letter to unite with Brushy Mountain Association. Resolved, that we tender our thanks to the brethern sisters and friends of this community for their kind hospitality in supporting this Association. The committee on Religous Exercises reported that Rev. J. A. McKaughan would preach to-night, Rev. J. H. Yarboro to-morrow at 11 A. M. and Rev. W. J. Combs at 1 P. M.

Oh motion adjourned to time and place of next session.

Prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers.

C. F. Fields, Clerk. Rev. W. F. Byrd, Moderator.

SABBATH

9, Oclock.

Met in Sunday School mass-meeting. Speaking by Rev. J. H. Yarboro, Prof. J. H. Foot, Rev. W. J. Combs and Rev. E. N. Gwyn.

At 11 A. M. Rev. J. H. Yarboro preached an able Sermon, Text Jude 1 iii, after which a collection was taken amounting to $8.70 for Foreign Missions.

1 P. M.——Rev. W. J. Combs preached a feeling Sermon, Text, 1st. Corinthiians 15th. chap. 58th. verse.

Thus passed another lovely session of the Elkin Association. Brethren pray for the prosperity of Zion.

We hope that all of our churches that have Sunday Schools will report the same in full next year so as our minutes may be fuller next time.

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Baptist Home			Not represented														
Center	D. J. Roberts	Cherrylane	J. A. McCann	Parks							40	.65	1st.				
Cool Springs	W. F. Byrd	Trap Hill	Hiram Settle	Byrd	3	3	1	1	3	3	227	1.65	2nd	84		30	75
Elkin	W. A. Myers	Osbornville	E. N. Gwyn	Elkin		9					14	1.00	3rd				
Fishing Creek	A. T. Pardue	Adly	T. B. James	Straw				2	1		21	.50	1st				
Gum Orchard	C. F. Fields	Benham	E. D. Smith	Kapps Mill	5	2					52	1.00	2nd	45			
Liberty Grove	C. F. Fields	Benham	A. M. Church	Bowles					2		53	1.10	4th	100		30	1.50
Macedonia	J. Hughes	Byrd	J. T. Edwards	Ronda		2			1	1	37	.65	1st	100			
Mt. Carmel	D. J. Roberts	Cherrylane	J. M. Jordan	Cherrylane							20	.60	4th				
Mt. Pisgah	Jordan & Caudle	Round Moun't	F. Brewer	Dockery					1		38	.80	1st	30			
Mt. Pleasant			Not represented														
Pleasant Home	Wm. Harris	Kappsmill	L. D. Burcham	Lomax	1			9		1	64	1.10	4th	30			
Poplar Springs	C. F. Fields	Benham	S. E. Gentry	State Road				2	1		30	.70	3rd	81			
River Side	A. J. Williams	Kappsmill	A. J. Thompson	Devotion		2			3		26	.80	3rd				
Rock Creek	A. E. Myers	Round Moun't	E. M Blackburn	Trap Hill	1				1	2	105	1.20	2nd				
Shady Grove	A. T. Pardue	Adly	R. P. Yates	Adly				1	5		64	.60	2nd	48		22	2.72
Shoaly Branch	A. J. Williams	Kappsmill	H. F. Carter	Ozark				2			35	.75	1st	38	568		
Trap Hill	J. H. Yarboro	Trap Hill	J. S. Brineger	Trap Hill		9					56	1.50	1st	126		84	6.00
Union Cross	A. J. Williams	Kappsmill	C. C. Holyfield	Dobson	9	3				1	13	.70	4th				
Union Hill	W. F. Byrd	Trap Hill	J. P. Harris	Kapps Mill					2		19	.20	4th				
White Plains	J. H. Yarboro	Trap Hill	D. R. Edwards	Roaring River					5		85	.95	3rd				
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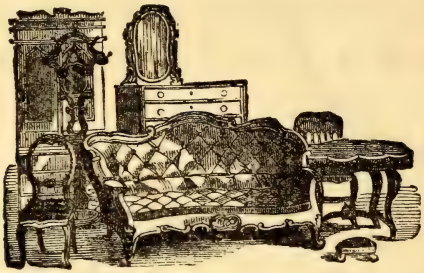

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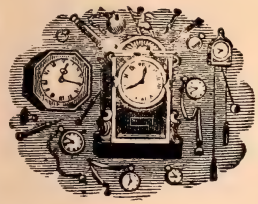

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Bowles E. M.	(L)	Bowles,	N. C.
Burcham G. M.		Elkin,	,,
Burchett J. W.		Roaring River.	,,
Bullard Jas,	(L)	Elkin Valley,	,,
Byrd W. F.		Trap Hill,	,,
Blevins E.		,, ,,	,,
,, C.		Ira,	,,
Combs W. J.		Trap Hill,	,,
Carter L. H.	(L)	Elkin,	,,
Kane E. F.		Good Springs,	,,
Fields C. F.		Elkin,	,,
Franklin J. K.		Devotion,	,,
Gentry S. E.	(L)	State Road,	,,
Gwyn E. N.		Elkin,	,,
Harris Wm		Kopp's Mills,	,,
Harris J. F.	(L)	Benham,	,,
Hughes John		Byrd,	,,
Jolly S. L.	[L]	Lomax	,,
Jordan J. A.		Round mountain,	,,
Mc. Cann C. P.	[L]	Cherry Lane,	,,
Melton W. H.		Kopp's Mills,	,,
Myers A. E.		Round Mountain,	,,
Myers J. W.	[L]	,, ,,	,,
Myers W. W.		,, ,,	,,
Norton J. H.	[L]	Venable,	,,
Robberts D. J.		Cherry Lane,	,,
Settle Hyram	[L]	Byrd,	,,
Settle J. F.	[L]	Benham,	,,
Smith J. F.	—L—	Ozark,	,,
Williams A, J.		kopp's Mills,	,,
Suits E, A.	--L--	Round Mountain	,,
Yarboro J. H.		Trap Hill,	,,

Those marked "L" are licentiates

PROCEEDINGS

Pleasant Home church,
Thursday, Oct. 14 th., 1891.

The Elkin Baptist Association convened with Pleasant Home Baptist church in its 13th. Annual session.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. J. Williams Text. Hebrews. IV. ch. 14 & 15 verses.

Refreshments 30 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION

At 1 P. M. The Association was called to order by the moderator.

Prayer by C. Blevins.

Letters from the different churches were presented and read, and a roll of delegates made.

An opportunity was offered to Churches to unite with this body and messengers from Piney Grove Baptist church presented a letter asking admission. which was receivd; and the hand of fellowship and welcome was extended by the moderator.

DELEGATES.

CENTER — D. J. McCann, J. A. McCann, A. C. Phillips.
COOL SPRINGS — J. F. Harris - J. W. Fields - Hyram Settle.
ELKIN — E. N. Gwyn - J. W. Madison - T. R. Windsor.
FISHING CREEK — S. R. Queen - A. Miller.
GUM ORCHARD — S. D. Smith. P. H. Ellis, W. P. Lassiter.
LIBERTY GROVE — G. W. Woodruff, Hyram Wiles, R. L. Church
Macedonia — J. S. Poplin, J. W. Dimmette, J. A. Poplin.
Mt. Carmel — D. J, Roberts, C R. Mc. Cann, J. M. Jordan.
Mt. Pisgah — F. Brewer, J. Staley, A. Privette.
Mt Pleasant — F, F, Moody.
Poplar Springs — J, A, Chipman, S. E. Gentry. J. W. Hix.
Pleasant Home — J. H. Dimmet, J. N. Burchett, H. W. Cockerham- Piney Grove - C, Blevins, Joshua Spicer.

River Side.—J. R. Caudle, J. B. Pardew. P. H. Caudle.
Rock Creek—S. Blackbern, J. W. Myers, S. Sebastian.
Shoaly Branch—H. F. Carter. E. S. Dickerson.
Trap Hill—J. S. Kilby, J. S. Holbrook. Thos. Crabb.
Union Cross —C. C. Hallifield, B. W. Snow.
White Plain—D. R. Edwards. D. L. Tharp, D. T. L. Edwards.

On motion the association proceeded to the election of officers for the year. Elder D. J. Harris and J. G. Burrus acting as tellers who reported Elder C. F. Fields, Moderator, and J. S. Kilby, clerk who accepted and proceeded to their respective duties.

On motion the Moderator appointed the usual committies.

Arrangement — Elders W. F. Byrd, A. E. Myers, and brethren, G. W. Wodruff, F. Brewer, and D. J. McCann.
Finance — J. S. Poplin and D. R. Edwards.
Religious Exercises — Pastor & delegates of this church.
Periodicals—D. J. Harris & E. N. Gwyn.
Education — J. A. McCann, J. H. Yarboro,
Sabbath School — J. W. Myers, E. Blevins.
State Mission—J. G. Burrus, C. Blevins.
Home & Foreign — J. W. Burchett, E. M. Bowles.
Temperance — W. W. White, W. J. Combs.
Pastoral and church relations — D. J. Robberts, J. S. Holbrook
Special Changes — J. A. Jordan, E. F. Kane,
Time & Place — S. Blackburn, E. N. Gwyn.
Baptist Orphanage — Thos. Crabb, W, S. Edwards,
Ministers Relief Board — J, S, Kilby, S, E, Gentry,

Correspondents were recognized who came forward and took seats with the Association, -viz- Eld- D. J. Harris, from the Ashe and Allegbany. Bro - J G Burrus, from Yadkin -

Corespondents reported,

E, N, Gwyn, J A Jordan, C, F, Fields,

J. W. Burchett, E. M. Bowles, J. S. Kilby attended the Brier Creek.

J. A. Jordan, W. F. Byrd, attend Primitive.

W. F. Byrd & C. F, Fields, Mountain Union, W. J. Combs, J. S. Holbrook, J. S. Kilby, Ashe and Alleghany.

J. S. Kilby, J. S. Holbrook and C. Blevins Baptist State Convention.

APPOINTED CORESPONDENTS

To Ashe and Alleghany J. A. Jordan, J. W. Burchett, E. N. Gwyn Briar Creek, J. W. Burchett, E. M. Bowles. Yadkin E. N. Gwyn, A. J. Williams, D. J. Roberts' E. F. Kane. Brushy Mountain, D. R. Elwards, E. N. Gwyn, J. A. Jordan, C. Blevins, Mountain Union, as visitors W. F. Byrd, D. J. Robberts, E. N. Gwyn, J. S. Holbrook. Primitive as visitors' J. W. Burchett, J. A. Jordan, J. W. Myers, C. Blevins.

Baptist State Convention ——— J. S. Kilby, E. M. Bowles, C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchett.

Southern Baptist Convention —— E. N. Gwyn.

On motion meet at 9. A.M., Adjourn at 11 A. M. for preaching, meet at 1. P. M. Adjourn at pleasure.

Preaching to-morrow at 11. A. M. by Elder W. W. white.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Elder D. J. Harris.

Benediction by Eld. W. J. Combs.

SECOND DAY,

MORNING SESSION

FRIDAY OCT. 15. 1891.

The Association met at 8 A. M, and after singing, was led in prayer by Elder D, J, Robberts,

The committee of arrangements reported,

Read preceeding minutes,

Read Rules of Decorum,

Querry from Macedonia Church.

What should be done with a minister of our Association who recommends an excluded member to join annother church?

ANSWER

We do not think that the querry has come up in proper form for us to consider, but would refer the brethren to 11th. Article of our Constitution.

W. F. Byrd, Ch. Com.

The Committee appointed to visit Baptist Home Church reported,

We your committee to visit Baptist Home Church failed to so do; but learn that if said Courch could have regular preaching, that there a is favorable chance of not only reestablishing the Church but of making it a stronger and better church.

We recommend that some one be sent to preach to those people

Submitted.

C. F. Fields,
E. M. Bowles. } Com.
A. E. Myers,

The report was adapted.

The report on pastoral and church relations was read by J. S. Holbrooks.

REPORT.

We believe that the Bible plainly teaches the duty of pastors towards their churches, and also the duty of the churches to their Pastors. The pastor should not only teach the people their duty towards God, but he should teach them their whole duty toward their fellow men, in giving to the poor and supporting the man of God who gives himself wholy to the work of the church, and also the pastor should make him-self one of the people. He should visit his proble. not merely the sick and dying, but visit and pray with his flock in health, and by so doing he will reach their hearts and

they will certainly come to his relief and support him.

Submitted

D. J. Roberts, }
J. S. Holbrooks, } Committee

Spoken to by D. J Roberts, D. J. Harris and adopted.

Elder W. A. Myers, from Brier Creek, and Elder L. P. Gwaltney from Alexander were recognized as corespondents and came forward and received the hand of welcome and took seats with the Association.

The report on Sunday Schools were read by J. W. Myers, as follows:—

The Sunday School work deserves special attention. Baptists were the first to establish Sunday Schools in the South. The first being organized by the first Baptist Church of Baltimore in 1804. Seeing the great work that has been accomplished through the Sabbath Schools of this, our country. We would most earnestly request that our churches take more interest in this great work in the future, than they have in the past, believing as we do, that nothing, save the preaching of the gospel, is of more importance, than a good organized and well conducted Sunday School in the church. Pastors you should encourage this work in your churches. and see that good Sunday School workers are put in as Superintendents.

Submitted.

J. W. Myers, }
E. Blevins, } Committee.

The report was spoken to by J. W. Myers, J. W. Combs, and was adopted.

The Association suspended business for preaching.

The Congregation sang, "All hail the power of Jesus' name"

Prayer by Elder W. A. Myers, The people were entertained by an interesting sermon by Elder W. w. white. Text. 15.c I. Cor.56 57 & 58.vs.

EVENING SESSION

1. P. M. The Association convened and was called to order by the Moderator.

On motion the rules of order were suspended, and the report on Ministers Relief Board was read by J. S. Kilby (as follows).

This Board consists of nine brethren appointed by the Bap ist State Convention, and to which they have to make a report annually. The object of this board is to aid aged Ministers and their Widows, who are in indigent circumstances, and who are not able to make a support by manual labor. Men who have given the vigor of manhood, time and tallent for the advanoement of Christ's Kinghere in the world, men of God who in their old age have to look to their brethren for help.

Brethren of the Elkin Association, let us give this work our prayers, our sympathies and some of our means, and thus aid the old veterans of the cross in their declining days.

Submitted, J. S. Kilby, S. E. Gentry. } Com.

Spoken to by S. E. Gentry, J. W. Burcl ett, D. J. Harris. Collection for ministerial Relief Board $ 4 70.

The Report n Baptist Orphanage was read by W. S. Edwards.

Your Committee on Baptist Orphanage would call attention to the God-like Institution located at Thomasville, N. C. which is under the supervision of Bro. J. H. Mills, who has the care of about 125 children. These children are fed, clothed aod educated by the free-will offerings of the Baptists of our own State. Brethren this work deserves our sympathies and aid for we know not how soon our own children may need the help offered at the orphanage.

We recommend that we subscribe for Charity and Children published weekly, mainly by the orphans themselves, price $1,00 per year. The money thus raised by the subscriptions goes directly to the support of Orphans, and in this way we can easily help in this worthy work. Brethren we think that this is one of the most noble Institutions that the Baptis of N. C. have ever established.

Submitted, Thos. Crabb, W. S. Edwards, } Committee.

Spoken to by W. S. Edwards, W. A. Myers, Collection for Orphanage, amt. $14 40. Liberty Grove sent $1 00. Trap Hill $15 10. Report adopted.

The report on Temperance was read by Elder D. J. Harris.

Your committee on Temperance would say by way of report, that this principal properly carried out by Christians, is a beautiful adornment to society, while its opposite, - Intemperance, - is a deadly monster, especially when applied to the use of intoxicating liquors.

It has been estimated to do more destruction to human life than all wars, famine and pestilence. and in the light of God's word, as destructive to human souls.

we, therefore would recommend that this association will not hold in its fellowship any member who makes, buys sells or drinks intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Submitted, *W. W. White,* } *com.*
W J. Combs, }

Spoken to by W. W. White, J. W. Myres, W. J. Combs, C. Blevins, D. J. Harris. This report was adopted.

Announced that Elder D. J. Harris will preach to-night, Elder L. P. Gwaltney to-morrow at 11 A. M. On motion adjourned.

Prayer by Elder W. F. Byrd. Benediction by Eld. W. A. Myres.

1 P. M.

A good congregation assembled at the church. After singing, reading of the scriptures and prayer, Eld. D. J. Harris preached a forceable sermon. Text, 1st Timothy 1—15.

Prayer by Eld J. W. Burchett. Benediction by Eld. W. J. Combs.

tist preachers, aided by the Mission Board. As they go into the neglected and destitute places, to preach the gospel to the people. These brethren have been greatly blessed in their work, and they need every dollar of the small amounts promised them by the Board.

Submitted,

J. G. Burrus
C, Blevins } *Committee.*

The report was adopted,

The Report on Home and Foreign Mission was read by J. W. Burchett.

REPORT.

Missions are clearly taught in the Bible. Christ was the first great Missionary among men. He was sent to set up the light (the gospel) in the world, and he left that light, or gospel, in the hands of His diciples. Since Christ has left the means in the hands of the church. Your Committee think it our duty to do all we can to give the gospel to the world.

Our Saviour gave this command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Shall we heed the command of our Master and let the Heathen world be saved, or shall we disregard His command and let our creatures perish. May the Lord give us more of His Spirit to prompt us to do our duty.

Submitted,

I. W. Burchett
E. M. Bowles, } Committee.

The reports were spoken to by C. Durham.

Collection for State Mission $9,75. The report was adopted.

Refreshments 1 hour,

1 P. M.

Convened for preaching. After preaching the congregation was led in prayer by Elder C. Blevins, the large congregation

we learn of the work, the more we want to do for His sake, as His servants in the different departments of the work. We have been enabled by the help of the State Mission Board to keep on the field the past year as Colporter and Missionary, Elder C. Blevins who has been aided by Elder E. Blevins. These Brethern have done a noble work, the results of which eternity alone can tell.

We are glad to report that several of our churches have been greatly revived religiously, and a great many young people have put on the armor to work for Christ. These should be indoctrinated in Baptists principles, as taught in the Bible.

Pastors, we trust that you will adopt some plan and give the people a chance to give regularly to the object fostered by the Baptist State Convention, and teach the people their duty along this line.

Some of our churches keep up Sunday Schools, the results of which can be seen and felt. We do hope that older people will take a deeper interest in this very important department of our work. Brethern let us pray and work unitedly for the furtherance of Christ's Kingdom here in the world.

The report was adopted.

J. S. Kilby
E. M. Bowles } Ex. Committee.
C. F. Fields

On motion the Executive committee of last year was continued.

The report on State Mission was read by C. Durham, D. D.

REPORT

State mission is that department of our work in which all the Associations connected with the Baptist State Convention are united to give the gospel to the destitute sections and neighborhoods in N, C. for more than one hundred years, our people have been engaged in this work. God has greatly prospered them in it. As they have done this one thing, every other thing for the developement of our people and prosperity of our churches has been added. We have this year, 118 *brethern, Bap-*

THIRD DAY, MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, Oct. 5th, 1891.

The association convened at 9 A. M. The congregation sang "I want to be a worker for the Lord."

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Prayer by Eld. W. A. Myres— Read preceeding minutes— Eld. C. Durham Cor. Sec. State Mission Board was recognized, and accepted a seat with the Association. Bro. J. R. Byrd from Brier Creek also accepted a seat.

The report on Periodicals was read by E. N. Gwyn as folows:

It is impossible for any person to become interested in any subject of which he is ignorant. Therefore intelligence concerning a matter of importance ought to be sought. The Press of to-day is a power that is molding the present generation. How important then that we should encourage the religious press. Your committee would therefore recommend the Biblical Recorder to every Baptist of the State, Charity and Children, Foreign Mission Journal, Our Home Field and Kind Word Series, as safe, sound and instructive, both for our churches and children.

Submited,

D. J. Harris }
E. N. Gwyn } Com.

Spoken to by D. J. Harris, C. Durham. The report was adopted.

The report of Executive Committee was read by J. S. Kilby.

REPORT.

In making this our 3rd annual report, we are glad to say that there has been some advancement. we trust all along the line of work laid out by the Baptist State Convention. As we learn of the work and the great good that is being done for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom, through and by the State's Home and Foreign Mission Boards, Education, Orphanage, Sunday Schools, and Colportage work, and then consulting the work of God and applying these things to our our own hearts. We say the more

was interested and edified by a sermon preached by Elder L. P. Gwaltney. Text, Mathew 18 4–6 & 21.

EVENING SESSION. 2 P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Elder W. B. Woodruff accepted a seat as correspondent, from Yadkin Association.

The report on time and place of next session was read by E. N. Gwyn. Place, Elkin Church, time, Thursday before the 3d Sunday in Oct., 1891. Preacher, Elder C. Blevins, Elder J. W. Burchett, Alternate.

The report was adopted.

The report on Education was read by J. A. McMillan.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad that the cause of education is more hopeful than ever, and that the interest is very greatly increasing. Many parents are working with very great zeal and energy to educate their children.

Our schools of high grade are almost unsurpassing at present. Parents have learned that they can give their children nothing better than a good English education.

We feel assured that we could recommend no better preparatory school than Trap Hill Institute, under the controll of the Baptist denomination.

We would most respectfully entreat and ask that every member of this Association and all Baptists give their support and influence to that of Trap Hilll Institute.

Submitted,

J. A. McCann for, Committe.

Spoken to by J. H. Yarboro, C. Durham aud J. H. Foot.

The report was adopted.

The report on special changes wae read by E. F. Caine.

We your committee on special changes, know of no special changes this year except the death of some of the leaders in our Churches, by which we sustain a great loss.

See obituaries. Submitted.

J. A. Jordan }
E. F. Kane } Com.

The report was adopted.

The report on Finance was read by D. R. Edwards.

——— *REPORT.* ———

We your committee have rec'd from the different churches $20.04 as minute fund. Submitted.

D. R. Edwards, J. S. Poplin, Committie.

The report was adopted.

The report of Treasurer was read by J. S. Kilby.

REPORT.

Received for State Mission,	$ 8 00.
" " Foreigh "	8 00.
" " Elkin Church	7 30.
" " Baptist Orphanage	20 00.
" from Finance Committee	16 35.
Total.	$59 85.

Paid out.

To State missions	$ 8 00.
" Foreign"	$ 8 20.
To Elkin Church,	7 30.
To Baptist Orphanage	20 00.
To minutes	12 00.
Postage	50.
My own fees	3 85.
Total	59 82.

C. F. Fields, Treasurer.

The report was adopted. On motion, allow Elder C. F. Fields $1.15, ballance due him as clerk. The report of Trustees of Trap Hill Institute was read by J. S. Holbrook.

Report of Trustees.

The Trustees of Trap Hill Institute in submitting their annual report to the Association, take pleasure in reporting a prosperous school. During the last scholastic year 154 students have been in attendance and the present session up to this time numbers 90 students. In our judgment, this institution is well worthy the patronage of all who wish to educate, and especially, should all the Bapiist of all this country, give this Institution not only their sympathies, as it is the only school of high grade in all this section absolutely under the controll of our denomination.

The school, has been, from the beginning, under the supervision of J. H. Yarboro, as Principal, who has given general satisfaction and whose services we hope to retain for the future.

Submmitted,

R. F. Fields. Sec. J. S. Holbrook, Ch., Bd. Trus.

The report was adopted,

On motion, the Trustees of Trap Hill Institute. be allowed to increase or diminish their number.

Resolved that we tender our thanks to the brethern, sisters and friends of this community for their kend hospitality in entertaining this Ascociation.

Announced that Elder W. J. Combs will preach to-night, Eld C. Durham to-morrow at 11 A. M., and Elder D. J. Harris at 1 P. M.

On motion, adjourned to time and place of next Association Prayer by Eld. C. Durham. Song. "How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord". Benediction by Elder L. P. Gwaltney. J. S. Kilby Clerk, Elder C. F. Fields moderator.

7 P. M.

A large congregation convened at the church, after singing Elder J. A. Jordan led in prayer. Elder W. J. Combs preached a good sermon. Text Ezekiel 33 c. last clause 11 v. Benediction by Elder W. W. White.

SABBATH.

10—30, A. M.

After singing the prayer and praise services was led by Elder C. Durham, and promptly at 11. A. M., Dr. Durham announced as his Text. 1st. part —Justified by his blood. Romans 5-9. 2ond part —Justified by faith. Rom. 5-1. 3d part —Justified by works. James 2-24

This was a plain and powerful sermon. and the large congregation was very quiet and attentive·

Collection for Foreign Missions. amount $8,28. Adjourned for 1 hour.

1 P. M.

Elder W. W. White preached an able sermon. Text Matthew 8-11 12. Thus ended one of the best sessions of the Elkin Association.

Clerk.

OBITUARIES.

Departed this life August 5th 1891, Brother W. F. Stone. age 45 years. He had been a constant member of White Plains Baptist Church for about 25 years, and served the Church as Deacon for several years. He died fully trusting the saviour. Blessed are the dead if they die in the Lord.

S. J. Greenwood. }
D. R. Edwards, } Committee

Whereas it hath pleased Almighty God to move from our midst our Brother Jonathan Lyon. He was at the time of his death about 70 years of age- He joined Macedonia Baptist Church July 5 1884 as a Licentiate, leaving off his deaconship at his own request. He has been a Licentiate and deacon in Cool Springs Church for many years. Brother Lyons Character as a fellow man and christian gentleman was above reproach.

Macedonia church.

Died at his home near lomax N. C. Thomas Byrd in his 69 th. year.

He united mith the Church at White Plains, and for some time served that Church as Deacon.

In 1878 he went into the constitution of Pleasant Home Church, and a faithful Deacon and member of the same untill his death. He was kind hearted and sympathetic, often expressed his love for the church and Christianity.

He leaves a wife, seven chileren and nany friends to mourn their loss, but we believe their loss to be his eternal gain.

J. H. Dummette,
H. W Cocherham, } *Committee.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Church	Pastor	P. O.	Clerks	P. O.	added { Baptism	Letter.	Restored.	dism'd. Letter,	Excluded.	Die	Fellowship	Minute fund	paid for State Mission	Foreign mission	pledged State mission	Foreign m	Sabbath.
Baptist Home			not represented								11						
Center	A.J.Williams	Kopps Mills	J.A.McCann	Parks.				1		2	38	$1.	2 00	1 00	2 00	$ 1	3
Cool Springs	W. F. Byrd	Trap Hill	H. Settle	Byrd,	33	1		1	1	1	259	2 00			2 00	1	2
Elkin	W. A. Myers	Osbornville	E.N.Gwyn	Elkin.	10	14					38	1 00	5 00	2 00	10 00	2	3
Fishing Creek	J.A.Foster	Delaplane	T.B.James	Stray,				2			22	50					1
Gum Orchard	C. F. Fields	Elkin	T.D.Smith	Kopp's mills,	18	1					70	1 08	50		2 00		2
Liberty Grove	,, ,, ,,	,,	A.M.Church	Bowles,	20	4		3			74	1 25	2 00	1 00	5 00	2	4
Macedonia	J. Hughes	Byrd	J. T. Edwards	Ronda.	16	6				2	57	1 15	3 00	1 00	3 00	1	1
Mt. Carmel	A. McKnight	Cherry Lane	J.M. Jordan	Cherry Lane,	6	7					32	1 60			1 00		4
Mt. Pisgah	caudle & Jordan	Dockery	F. Brewer	Dockery,					1	1	36	70			1 00		1
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Pleasant Home	Wm. Harris	Kopps Mills	L.D.Burcham	Lomax,				5	1	1	57	1 21	90		2 00	1	4
Poplar Springs	C. F. Fields	Elkin	S.E.Gentry	State Road,	6	2	1	2			38	80	25		50		3
Piney Grove	C. Blevins	Ira	J.Spicer	Absher,		9		4			31	95			2 00	1	4
River Side	wm.Harris	Kopps Mills	P.H.Caudle	Devotion.		1		5			22	75	1 00	25	2 00	1	3
Rock Creek	W. J. combs	Trap Hill	S.Blackburn	R.mountain	33	17				1	155	1 65	1 50	1 00	3 00	2	2
Shoaly Branch	A.J.williams	Kopps Mills	H.F.Carter	Ozark.		1		3			33	70			1 00		3
Trap Hill	J.H.Yarboro	Trap Hill	J.S.Brinegar	Trap Hill	25	20		1	1	2	97	2 00	5 00	1 00	10 00	2	1
Union Cross	A.J.Williams	Kopps Mills	C.C.Hollyfield	Venable,	4	4				1	19	60	25	25			4
Union Hill	w.H Melton	Kopps Mills	C.Harris	Kopp's mills							19						4
White Plains	J.H.Yarboro	Trap Hill	D.R.Edwards	R. River.			1	6		2	83	60	2 75		2 00	1	3
				Totals	171	86	2	40	5	14	2115	20 04	24 15	7 50	47 50	15	

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Burchett J. W.		Roaring River	"
Bullard Jas,	(L)	Elkin Valley,	"
Byrd W. F.		Trap Hill	"
Blevins C.		" "	"
Combs W. J.		" "	"
Carter L. H.	(L)	Elkin,	"
Kane E. F.		Good Springs	"
Fields C. F.		Elkin,	"
Franklin J. K.		Devotion,	"
Gentry S. E.		State Road,	"
Gwyn E. N.		Elkin,	"
Harris Wm.		Kapp's Mills	"
Harris J. F.	(L)	Benham,	"
Hughes John		Byrd,	"
Joliy S. L.	(L)	Lomax,	"
McCann C. P.	(L)	Cherry Lane,	"
Melton W. H.		Kapp's Mills,	"
Myers A. E.		Round Mountain,	"
Myers J. W.	(L)	" "	"
Myers W. W.		" "	"
Norton J. H.		Venable,	"
Roberts D. J.		Cherry Lane,	"
Settle Hiram	(L)	Byrd,	"
Settle J. F.		Benham,	"
Smith J. F.	(L)	Ozark	"
Williams A. J.		Kapp's Mills	"
Suits E. A.	(L)	Round Mountain,	"
Yarboro J. H.		Boonville,	"

Those marked "L" are Licentiates.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

E. N. Gwyn,	Elkin,	N. C.
C. F. Fields,	"	"
F Brewer,	Dockery	"

Proceedings

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ELKIN, N. C. October 13th 1892.

The ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, convened with the ELKIN CHURCH in its Fourteenth Annual Session Oct. 13th, 1892.

Introductory Sermon preached by Rev. J W. Burchette.

REFRESHMENTS 20 MINUTES.

The Association convened; the Moderator of last year presiding. Prayer by E. N. Gwyn.

Letters from the different churches presented and read.

On motion the Association proceeded to the election of officers, Rev. W. White and brother J. E. Johnson acting as tellers, who reported that Rev. C. F. Fields was elected Moderator and E. N. Gwyn Clerk.

Correspondents invited—From Brushy Mountain, Rev. W. W. White. Brier Creek Rev. W. A. Myers. Yadkin Bro. J. E. Johnson.

On motion the Moderator appointed the usual committees:

Arrangements—*W. F. Byrd, J. S. Kilby, J. M. Gambill, G. M. Woodruff and J. W. Myers.*

Finance—*J. S. Kilby, B. F. Rollins.*

Religious Exercises—*Pastor and Delegates of this Church.*

Periodicals—*D. T Oats, J. W Burchette,*

Education—*J. W. Myers, D. R. Edwards.*

Sabbath Schools—*J. E. Johnson, J. W. Hix.*

State Missions—*W. A. Myers, W. F. Byrd.*

Home and Foreign Missions—*H. Suttle, W. J. Combs.*

Temperance—*W. W. Myers, W. Harris.*

Pastoral and Church Relation—*L. H. Carter, T. C. Debord,*

Special Changes—*J. I. Myers. F. Brewer.*

Time and Place—*J. N. Burchette, E. D. Smith, D. R. Edwards.*

Baptist Orphanage—*D. T. Oats, G. M. Burcham.*
Ministers Relief Board—*W. W. White, J. H. Norton.*
Correspondents reported: J. A. Myers and W. S. Edwards attended the Brier Creek. W. F. Byrd, J. S. Holbrook and J. A. McCann attended the Brushy Mountain. W. F. Byrd attended the Mountain Union. Rev. A. McNight from Mountain Union, was present and accepted a seat as a visitor.

On motion Correspondents appointed to Ashe and Alleghany, Gwyn and Byrd. Brier Creek, J. W. Myers, J. W. Burchette. Yadkin, J. W. Hix, J. H. Norton. Brushy Mountain, D. R. Edwards, J. W. Burchette. Mountain Union, W. F. Byrd, E. N. Gwyn. Baptist State Convention, J. S. Kilby, C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchette. Southern Baptist Convention, D. T. Oats.
Rev. D. J. Harris from Ashe and Alleghany was present and accepted a seat. Bro. J. S. Kilby offered the following;
Convene at 9 A. M., adjourn at 11 for preaching, convene at 1 P. M. and adjourn at will.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Rev. W. J. Combs preach to-night.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers.

SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION

Prayer by Rev. W. F. Byrd.
Committee on Arrangements reported.
The names of Delegates announced.
Read the preceeding Minutes.
Read Constitution. Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Rev. R. W. Wooten with Brethren R. Tharp and J. H. Foote from Brier Creek were present and accepted seats. Rev. S. W. Hall, representing the Baptist Orphanage and Rev. J. M. Hillard representing State Missions were present and kindly welcomed among us.

The Committee on Temperance offered the following report:

TEMPERANCE.

As intemperance is one of the most destructive evils to morality, and a hinderance to christianity; We therefore recommend our churches to do all in their power to remove this evil from among us.

Wm. Harris, }
W. W. Myers, } Committee.

After remarks by Revs. W. Harris, J. M. Hilliard, D. J. Harris, W. W. White, G. M. Burcham, W. F. Byrd and W. A. Myers the report adopted.

The report on Sabbath Schools was read by J. W. Myers.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The Sabbath Schools of this Association convened in June and organized a Sabbath School Convention known as the Sunday School Convention of the Elkin Association.

This convention has for its purpose the general Sunday School work. Bro E. N. Gwyn was appointed Sunday School evangelist. We would ask this Association to co-operate with that convention.

The next convention will convene with the church at Cool Springs on Saturday before the 2nd, Sunday in August 1893.

J. W. Hix, } Committee.
J. E. Johnson, }

The report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev. D. J. Harris.

1 O'CLOCK P. M,

A letter was read from Dr. Durham which was received and highly appreciated.

The Moderator appointed W. F. Byrd, J. M. Gambill and J. S. Kilby to nominate an Executive Committee.

The Committee an Perodicals reported as follows.

PERIODICALS.

It would be more encouraging if our people would take more Religious Journals; for we have several Denominational Journals, among us. The Biblical Recorder, one of the boldest and most earnest of all religions papers, is endorsed by the Baptist State Convention and recommended to us as our State Organ. To Sunday Schools we recommend Kind Words, published at Nashville Tenn. by our Home Board, and the Periodicals of the American Baptist Publication Society published at Philadelphia. We also have two other Baptist papers published in this State. The Ashville Baptist is an excellent paper with earnest pleading and consoling epithets to religious seekers. The North Carolina Baptist is a lively Religious paper published at Fayettville in the interest of North Carolina Baptists.

D. T. Oats, } Committee.
J. W. Burchette, }

Remarks by D. T. Oats, J. M. Hilliard, J. H. Foote and the

report adopted.

Brother J. L. Shugart from the Yadkin was present and accepted a seat.

The committee on Baptist Orphanage reported.

Report On Orphanage.

The Baptist Orphanage is situtated about one half mile from Thomasville. Bro. J. H. Mills is manager. The Orphanage is in debt which it is gradually paying off. Last year Nine Thousand Dollars was contributed for the Orphans which was hardly enough for necessary expenses. They are badly in need of more buildings and more money. In connection with the Orphanage is published Charity and Children, a lively little paper, the proceeds of which go to the support of the Orphans. At $1.00 per year we find it in the reach of all.

Brethren, we think it the duty of all to take it and by so doing contribute a mite towards the support of the motherless and fatherless of our church and State. We ask every church in this Association to take at least one collection during the year for this object.

D. T. Oates
G. M. Burcham } Committee.

Remarks by S. W. Hall. Contribution, $9.35.

The Committee to nominate an executive Committee reported. E. N. Gwyn, C. F. Fields and Felix Brewer.

THE MODERATOR ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING BRETHREN TO WRITE ON THE USUAL SUBJECTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

Periodicals, D. T. Oates. Education, J. S. Kilby. Sabbath Schools, E. N. Gwyn. State Missions, J. W. Myers. Home and Foreign Missions, W. F. Byrd. Temperance, J. W. Burchette, Pastoral and Church Relation, D. R. Edwards. Baptist Orphanage, G. M. Burcham. Ministers Relief Board, C. M. King.

It was announced that J. M. Hilliard preach to-night.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev. S. W. Hall. Benediction by Rev. W. F. Byrd.

THIRD DAY.

Morning Session, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. A. Myers.

Preceeding Minutes read and approved.

Rev. A. T. Pardue from Brushy Mountain and Bro. John Gilliam from Brier Creek, were present and accepted seats.

The Committee on Pastoral & Church Relation offered the following report.

REPORT ON PASTORAL & CHURCH RELATIONS.

We know the bible teaches plainly the duty of the pastor to the church and the duty of the church to the pastor. The pastor is to feed the flock, and the church is to hold up his hands.

L. H. Carter, } Commitee.
T. C. Debord, }

Remaks by E. N. Gwyn. J. H. Yarboro and the report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The committee on Education reported as follows. We are glad to see the great change on Educational facilities in the last 25 years in our country. We also are glad to observe the general interest exhibited by parents giving their children a liberal education.

The prosperity of both church and State depends largely on the resources of a cultivated and trained intellect. The minds of the young people are impressed by examples of parents, teachers and preachers Therefore we would urge the necessity of our pastors and preachers impressing the minds of parents with the great importance of preparing our sons and daughters for the great arena of life and thereby qualifying them for a higher life both morally and spiritually. We would highly recommend our denominational school at Trap Hill, supervised by D. T. Oates as being one of the best preparatory schools for our young people.

J. W. Myers. } Committee.
D. R. Edwards, }

Remarks by J. A. Myers, D. T. Oates, W A. Myers, A. T. Pardew, and the report adopted. On motion adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev. J. M. Hilliard.

EVENING SESSION 1 P. M.

The committee on State Missions offered the following report.

REPORT ON STATE MISSION.

There is no more important part of our work than that of State Missions, for just as this part of our work succeeds so will all other departments of our work be enlarged. We have a board of State Missions located at Raleigh and this board co-operating with many of the associational boards have appointed over one hundred missionaries, these sent out to work in the destitute portions of our State are doing a

noble work for the Master. The board will need about $9800.00 within the next fifty days in order they may come to the convention out of debt, and this money must be raised by our pastors and active laymen. So let us come up to the help of the Lord in this noble work, and see that every dollar be raised by the meeting of the convention in Dec.

We would recommend that this association co-operate with the State Mission Board in giving the Gospel to the destitute portions of our beloved State.

W. A Myers, } Committee,
W. F Byrd, }

Collection for State Missions $10.05.

A Letter was read from G. W. Greene of China, kindly received.

The Report on Home and Foreign Missions was read in connection with State Missions as follows; The Home Board Situated at Atlanta Ga. is doing a noble work in our nation among Negroes. Swedes, French, Germans and Mexicans. There are 365 Missionaries and 1324 churches doing a wonderful good. The negroes ought to be turned from their Superstitions; The fast disappearing Indians ought to have the Gospel. Look at the foreign element coming to our country every year from every nationality that are principally Catholic, Infidels and such. If we let this class continue without Gospel warnings our churches will be in danger and Tyranny and Submission. This Board is doing a noble work in Cuba, and with such a brother as Diaz at the head, is doing great good. Our greatest danger is in Catholic power. Let every one do his duty in sustaining this board and God will call us blessed. The Foreign Missions board is doing work in China, Japan, Africa. Brazil, Italy, Mexico and many other places. To-day this board is doing good work on five Continents, besides Foreign Missionaries we have a number of native laborers. Bretheren let us all come up to the help of Lord against the mighty.

W. J. Combs, } Committee
Hiram Settle, }

Remarks by J. H. Hilliard the above reports adopted,

PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSIONS FOR NEXT YEAR.

Center,	$2.00.	Pleasant Home,	$1.00.
Cool Springs,	5 00.	River Side,	1 00.
Elkin,	10 00.	Rock Creek,	2 00.
Liberty Grove	5 00.	Trap Hill,	5 00.
Macedonia	4 00.	Shoaly Branch,	1 00.
Mt. Pisga	1 00.	Union Hill,	1 00.
MtPleasant,	1 00.	White Plain,	2 00.
Poplar Springs,	1 00.	Total,	$42.00.

The Executive Committee offered the following report. Brother C. Blevins has been doing good work on the borders of our territory. We would recommend that Ronda Roaring River, North Wilkesboro be suppled with preaching. These are important Rail Road Towns and should not be neglected.

J. S. Kilby, C. F. Fields. } Committtee.

The bretheren agreed to do all they can and raise at least one collection for Foreign Missions at their churches next year. The Committee on Ministers Relief Board Reported the following. It is due our aged bretheren who after a life of toil and self denial worn down in the service of the master and in poverty, that one association see that they suffer not in their declining days for the comforts of this life. Knowing that what we do for these we do for Christ.

W. W. White, J. H. Norton, } Committee.

Remarks by J. H. Norton, and the report adopted.

The Committee on Finance offered the following:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.
Center,	$0.85	$1.20	50
Cool Spring,	1 70	2 00	1 00
Elkin,	1 80	10 00	.....
Fishing Creek,	40	1 00	1 00
Gum Orchard,	1 00	.....	.....
Liberty Grove,	1 35	3 00	2 00
Macedonia,	1 00	3 00	1 00
Mt. Carmel,	1 00	.....	.....
Mt. Pisga,	60	50	.....
Mt. Pleasant,	45	.....	.....
Poplar Springs,	65	.....	.....
Pleasant Home,	1 10	1 25	1 00
Piny Grove,	1 00	.....	.....
River Side,	60	1 00	1 00
Rock Creek,	1 30	2 00	50
Shaoly Branch,	75	50	.....
Trap Hill,	1 00	4 50	.....
Union Cross,	65	25	.....
Union Hill,	20	.....	.....
White Plains,	50	50	.....
Total.	$17.90	$30.70	$8.00

The report adopted.

J. S. Kilby, B. F. Rollins, } Committee,

THE EX-TREASURER REPORTED AS FOLLOWS.

Received from Finance Com. $20.04
" for State Missions, $28.90
" " Foreign ,, $13.78
" " Baptist Orphanage$30.50
" "Ministers Relief Board $4.70
Total, $97.92

EXPENDED.

To State Missions,	*$28.90*
" Foreign "	*$13.78*
" Baptist Orphanage	*$30.50*
" Ministers Relief Board	*$4.70*
" Printing Minutes	*$13.89*
" C. F. Fields,	*$1.15*
" Clerks Fees	*$5.00*
Total,	*$97.92*

J. S. Kilby, Treasurer.

The trustees of Trap Hill Institute reported as fcllows. We take pleasure in reporting a good school under the management of Prof. D. T. Oates. We feel assured that we can recomend no better preparatory school than Trap Hill Institute. This institution is well worthy of the patronage of all who wish to educate and especially should all the Baptists of this country give this institution their sympathies and support as it is the only school of high grade in all this section absolutely under the control of the Baptists. We most respectfully and kindly ask every member of this association and all Baptists to give their support and influence to Trap Hill Institute.

J. A. McCann Secretary Board Trustees.

The report adopted.

The Committee on special changes reported as follows. We report no special changes for this year.

J. I. Myers, F. Brewer, } Committee,

The report adopted.

TIME AND PLACE

TheCommitte on time and place reported Rock Creek church four

miles North West of Roaring River, on Thursday before the first Sunday in November 1893.

The moderator appointed the following preachers for next year C. Blevins to preach the introductory W. J. Combs alternate. J. H. Yarboro to preach the Denominational Sermon and E. N. Gwyn to preach the Missionary Sermon.

Instructed the clerk to have 500 copies of minutes printed and be allowed $5.00 for his services.

Announced that W. W. White preache at the Baptist church and D. J. Harris at the Methodist church to night.

Brother J. S. Kilby offered the following.

Resolved that we tender our thanks to the brethren sisters and friends of all this community for their kind hospitality in supporting this association.

On motion adjourned to time and place of next session. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Hilliard, Benediction by Rev. W. A. Myers.

E. N. Gwyn Clerk. G. F. Fields Moderator.

SABBATH

Convened in S. S. Mass meeting. Bro. B. F. Rollins explained the Bible lesson. Prof's. Rackly and Oats from Trap Hill and J, A. Myers. made short S. S. addresses.

Rev. J. H. Yarboro preached at 11 A. M. in the beautiful grove to a large and well ordered congregation.

Collection for Foreign Missions $16. 40.

Rev. D. J. Harris preached at the Methodist Church.

Thus ended one of the best Sessions of the Elkin Association.

Large congregations attended, good order prevailed and the best of singing by the Elkin Choir and congregation,

May Heavens richest blessing ever attend all who were present.

CLERK.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS	CLERKS.	Post Offices.	DELEGATES.	Added.			Dismiss d.				
					Baptism.	Letter.	Restored.	Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	In Fellowship.	Sabbath.
Center.	E. F. Kane.	J. A. McCann	Parks	D. J. McCann, J. N. Barker, J. A. McCann.	1	2		2			40	1
Cool Springs.	W. F. Byrd.	H. Settle	Byrd	J. M. Gambill, J. W. Fields, Hiram Settle.	4			2	2	1	258	2
Elkin.	W. A. Myers.	C. P. Andrews	Elkin	B. F. Rollins, L. H. Carter, C. M. King.	2	11		4			46	2
Fishiug Creek.	J. A Foster	T. B. Jarvis	Straw	T. B. James, G. W. Miller.	19		1	2	1	1	34	1
Gum Orchard.	C. F. Fields.	E. D. Smith	Kapp's Mills	B. J. Snow, J. B. Snow, E. D. Smith.	5			2	1		71	3
Liberty Grove,	C. F. Fields,	W. N. Alexander	Roaring River	G. M. Woodruff, J. I. Myers, W. N. Alexander.	2	3		1	1	1	76	4
Macedonia.	John Hughes	J. T. Edwards	Ronda	J. I. Dimmette, S. E. Poplin.				3	1		53	1
MtCarmel.	A. McNight	J. M. Jordan	Cherry Lane	J. F. Woodruff, J. M. Jordan.	19	1	6				58	4
MtPisga.	W. W. Myers	F. Brewer	Dockery	F. Brewer, A. Privette.						1	34	1
MtPleasant.	B. Mathes	P. H. Cockerham	State Road	J. V. Golden.						1	23	1
Pleasant Home.	John Hughes	L. D Burcham	Lomax	J. N. Burhette, J. R. Jolly, C. F. Darnall.	2	3		2	2	1	57	4
Poplar Springs.	S. E. Gentry	J. F. Burcham	Elkin	J. F. Burcham, J. W. Hix.	2	1			3		38	3
Piny Grove.	C. Blevins	J. Spicer	Ira		9	3		1			39	4
River Side.	Wm. Harris	P. M. Caudie	Devotion	L. R. Pardue, J. R. Caudle, P. H. Caudle.	2	2				2	24	3
Rock Creek.	A.E.&W.W.Myers	J. I. Blackburn	Round Mountain	E. A. Suits, J. W. Myers, L. M. Bauges.	3	1	2	12	3		146	2
Shoaly Branch.	G. M. Burcham	H. F. Carter	Ozark	H. F. Carter, R. G. Phillips.				2			30	3
Trap Hill.	W. F. Byrd	J. S. Brinegar	Trap Hill	J. S. Kilby, D. T. Oats, T. C. Debord.	1	5		9	2		92	1
Union Cross	A. J. Williams	C. C. Holyfield	Venable	J. H. Norton, B. W. Snow.	2	2		3		1	19	4
Union Hill.	E. F. Kane	A. N. Combs	Kapp's Mills	Wm. Harris.				3	1	1	12	4
White Plains.	D. J. Roberts	D. R. Edwards	Roaring River	D. R. Edwards, W. S. Edwards.			1	1			83	3
					73	34	10	49	17	10	1231	

LIST OF MINISTERS.

G. M. Burcham.	Elkin,	John Hughes.	Byrd,
J. W. Burchit.	Roaring River.	E. F. Kane.	Good Spring,
W. F. Byrd.	Trap Hill.	W. H. Melton	Kapps Mills.
C. Blevins.	Trap Hill,	A. E. Myers.	Round Mountain.
J. J. Caudle.	Dockery.	W. W. Myers.	Round Mountain.
W. J. Combs.	Trap Hill.	D. J. Roberts.	Cherry Lane
C. F. Fields.	Elkin.	J. F. Settle.	Benham.
J. K. Franklin.	Devotion.	A. J. Williams.	Kapps Mills.
E N. Gwyn.	Elkin.		
Wm. Harris.	Kapps Mills.		

LICENTIATES.

S. Blevins.	Ira.	C. P. McCann.	Cherry Lane
J. W. Brown,	Ira,	J. W. Myers,	Round Mountain
J. Bullard.	Elkin.	J. H. Norton.	Venable
L. H. Carter.	Elkin,	Hiram Settle,	Byrd.
J. F. Harris.	Benham,	J. F. Smith,	Ozark.
John Jolly.	Lomax.	E. A. Suits.	Round Mountain.
L. S. Jolly.	Lomax.		

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. S. Kilby.	Trap Hill,	G. A. Andrews,	Knotsville
J. A. Myers,	Round Mountain,	J. I. Dimmette.	Ronda
N. E. Parlier.	Ronda.		

Ordained

PROCEEDINGS.

ROCK CREEK CHURCH, WILKES CO,, N. C.

Thursday, November 2nd 1893.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. W. J. Combs.

REFRESHMENTS 30 MINUTES.

The Association convened, Rev R. W. Wooten led in Prayer. Letters presented and read. On motion, Door opened for reception of Churches. The church at Ronda was received by letter and delegates.

The Association proceeded to elect Officers, with Bro. J. H Foote and Rev. E. Blevins acting as tellers. Rev. C. F. Fields was elected moderator, and E, N. Gwyn Clerk and Treasurer.

On motion Correspondents invited.

From, Brier Creek, Brethren J. H. Foote C. F. Holcomb, Ashe and Alleghany. Revs. D. J. Harris, E. Blevins, E. Tucker, with Bro. G. L. Porter, From Dehart church Bro. Z. S. Myers. Rev. Mr Troy, Bible Agent accepted a Seat.

COMIMTTEES APPOINTED.

Arrangements, J. W. Myers, J. S. Kilby, R. W. Wooten, J. W. Burchette, W. J. Combs, Finance, D. T. Oates J. A Myers.

Religious Exercises, I Burchette, with Pastor and Delegates of this church

Special charges, J. F. Burcham, L. H. Carter. Time and Place J. D. Edwards J. V. Melton J. W. Fields.

Nominating Committee, E. N. Gwyn, F. Gambil, G. M. Woodruff.

On motion, the executive Committee increased to five. On motion, Correspondents Reported, E. N. Gwyn Attended the Brier Creek; C.F. Fields, E. D. Simth, E. F. Kane attended the Yadkin; W. F. Byrd the Mountain Union.

CORRESPONDENTS APPOINTED.

To Ashe and Alleghany, E. N. Gwyn, J. S. Kilby, C. F. Fields G.M. Burcham, Brier Creek, J. W. Burchet J. D. Edwards, E. A. Soats, L. H. Carter, E. N. Gwyn.

Brushy Mountain, A. E. Myers, W. J. Combs G. M. Woodruff E. D. Parks, Yadkin, E. F, Kane, J. W. Burchette, L. H. Carter, C. F. Field, A E. Myers, Mountain Union, Fields and Gwyn Baptist State convention, Kilby and Fields

On motion, The order of Buisiness adopted. Convene at 9 a. m. adjourn at 11 for Preaching, convene at 1 p. m. adjourn at will.

Rev Mr Yarboro, being absent, Rev. D. J. Harris was requested to Preach the Denominational Sermon. Committee on Religious Exercises Report, That Rev. E. Blevins preach to night, and that E. N. Gwyn preach the Missionary Sermon, to morrow 11 a. m. On motion, adjourn. Prayer by Rev. D. J. Harris, Benediction, by Rev. J. W. Burchette

SECOND DAY 9 A. M.

Prayer by D. J. Roberts, and E. Tucker.

Committee on Arrangement Reported, which was adopted. Names of Delegates called. The constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith Read.

Correspondents invited. Brethren Wm. Porter, Trely Myers, J. Elledge from the Primative, J. N. Myers from the church at Covenant. Doctor Stallings, from the Yadkin, B. S. Harrison, from Pilot Mountain, B. S. Peterson in the interest of "N. C. Baptist," accepted seats. The Committee to Nominate The Executive Committee Reported, as follows. We cheerfully recommend J. S. Kilby, J. I. Dimmette, J. A. Myers, G. A. Andrews and N. E. Purlear.

Report adopted. { E. N. Gwyn, G. M. Woodruff, F. Gambill.

TREASURER REPORTED.

Received from committee on Finance.

Minute fund	$17.90
State Missions	30 70
Foreign Missions	8 00
Collected for State Missions	10 05
Collected for Orphans	9.35
Collected on S for Foreign Missions	16 40
Total	[illegible]

Adopted.

Expended as follows.

State Missions	$40.75
Foreign Missions	30.70
Baptist Orphanage	9.35
Printed Minutes	12 50
Paper and Postage	.25
My own fees	5.00
In Treasury	.15
Total	$92.40

Enoch N. Gwyn.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

"Sabbath Schools" are schools taught on the Sabbath day; and a school is a place for the imparting of knowledge, whether at the Church or at the College. Our blessed Savior was a model Sabbath School Teacher. We learn in the sixth Chapter of Luke, and at the 6th verse, that he entered into the Synagogue and taught on that day. Those who oppose these Schools, oppose the work of our Redeemer.

The Sabbath School may be considered "the Church at work." We believe the Church to be composed of personal believers in Christ, being baptised upon a profession of their faith in the Son

of God. They, showing to the world, by a pious walk, and a will ing mind, that there is a work for them to do in the vineyard of the Lord; the image of the devine master, being so deeply im planted in the heart, soul and mind that they are constrained to work because they cannot help it, viewed from this stand point. then each member of the church, both male and female, becomes one of the school, either as pupil, teacher or superintendent.

The Sabbath School may be defined, "The work of the church." Regarded in this light notice these who convene at the Church house, School house, or dwelling house, on the Sabbath, and there gather the children and older people of their own comunity and of the regions beyond, and teach them the sublime story of the cross, with all the truths of the Bible. Such schools may be composed of those who have been thrown out on the cold charities of the world, whose parents are sleeping the long sleep of death, some of whom are found at the corners of the streets, or along the high ways in company with the profane, desecrating the Holy Sabbath day. In these schools may be found those whose parents are living, but whose spiritual training has been neglected, having never been reared in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Yea in these schools may be found those who are advanced in years, whose life's sun is descending in the far west, who wish to spend their last Sabbath on earth in obedience to Christ, when he says, "Search the scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me." when we consider, the results of Sabbath Schools, they may be defined "The Seed Corn," of the Church the most of the accessions to the Church are those who have been taught while young, the way of Life more perfectly in the Sabbath School, their hearts and minds being spiritually trained and cultivated are more ready for the reception of Devine truth, and, for the indwellings of the Holy Ghost.

Lastly, Sabbath Schools are the auxiliaries or efficient helps to Churches, in the studying of the scriptures, in the building up of Churches, and in the advancement of Christ Kingdon in the world.

Enoch N. Gwyn.

Remarks were made by J. H. Foote and E. N. Gwyn. Bro. J. S. Kilby offered the following amendment. That we cheerfully recommend, the Sabbath School Convention of this Association with officers. E. N. Gwyn President, J. S. Kilby Vice President, J. M. Henderson Secretary.

The last session convened at Cool Springs in August, and much interest and harmony in the entire work was manifested. The

next session will convene at Trap Hill, on Friday before the third Sabbath in August 1894. And we do hope and request that all the schools within our bounds. will send delegates to said convention.

On motion, the amendment and report was adopted.

On motion, the general Sunday School work of this Association be presented over to the Sunday School Convention.

On motion, The Sunday School literature published at Nashville Tenn. by the Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, was commended and recommended to our schools.

THE COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE,

Reported. Macadonia Church, on Thursday before the first Sabbath in September 1894. Rev. D. J. Roberts to preach introductory sermon. Rev S. E. Gentry alternate.

J. D. Edwards,
J. W. Fields, Committee.
J. V. Melton.

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION REPORT.

Pastor means Shepherd, the duty of a Shepherd is to watch over his flock, but most of our country pastors neglect this duty. They live remote from their churches and seldom visit them but once a month. They go to the fold and fondle and pet the ninety and nine and neglect to seek the one that has gone a stray from the fold.

Christ suggests in the parable of the lost sheep that this should not be the course of the Shepherd. The pastor is also to guard his flock against all danger: this is also much neglected. The church of today is surrounded by imminent dangers, and the pastor that fails to warn his church of all these is not faithful. Our Savior urged this duty on Peter when he bade him three times to feed his sheep. How many pastors fail in this duty? A lost world will testify at the Judgment day. The pastor should preach an active christianity into his churches. He should have his churches organize Sunday Schools, and have them continued as many months in the year as possible It is also his duty to have the members contribute to the support of the gospel according to their means, and to exert their influence for the advancement of Christ's kingdom.

The church should support their pastor, and see that he is not hampered in his work by poverty. They should cooperate with him in all the work of the church. Some men will almost censure their pastor if he reminds them that he is needing assistance.

It would be well for three or four churches, which most country pastors have to cooperate with each other through their officers by devising means by which their pastors may be supported. Such a plan would work an era of prosperity for country churches.

Again the churches should fully cooperate with the pastor in all his work, in prayer and in love to him and to one another. If the pastor is unworthy of their support and sympathy, they should call some one else as their minister.

D. R. Edwards } Committee.

After remarks by D. J. Harris and E. N. Gwyn the report adopted.

Rev. Milton McNeil and Bro. D. R. Edwards, from Brushy Mountain Association accepted seats.

Adjourned for preaching by request of E. N. Gwyn J. N. Stallings D. D. preached the Missionary sermon.

1 o'clock P. M.

Prayer by the clerk.

The committe one Relief Board being absent, J. S. Kilby was appointed to write the report.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The report on Temperence was read by J. W. Burchitt.

Temperance means a moderate use of any thing that is for our good and a total abstenance from any thing that is for our hurt. The Apostle says he that striveth for the master, is temperate in all things. We believe that the manufacture and use of ardent spirits is more hurtful to the churches and humanity than any one evil in all the land.

The time has fully come that the preachres, deacons and layety should rise and cleanse themselves from this the greatest of evils.

We recommend that preachers of our Association first practice and then preach temperance and that our members practice and teach the same. We advise the churches to hold no member that makes, buys, sells or aids in its manufacture or uses it only when prescribed as medicine.

J. W. Burchitt, } Committee.

Remarks submited by J. W. Burchitt, G. M. Burcham, Dr. Stallings, E. Tucker and D. J. Harris. Prayer was offered by D. J. Harris and report adopted.

The report on Baptist orphanage read by Prof. Foote.

Our Orphanage supervised by J. H. Mills and assisted by devoted christian teachers, is in debt and with little help would be

free from all embarrassment.

Let us help them now. In connection with the institution an interesting weekly paper is published by its inmates.

All moneys paid for Charity and Children go to support the orphanage. Let us as far as possible subscribe for the paper, and contribute our means to the support of fatherless and motherless children.

G. M. Burcham } Committee.

Remarks by J. H Foote and E. Tucker and the report adopted.

Collection for Orphanage $3.40.

The moderator announced that Rev. C. Blevins would preach the Denominational sermon and Rev. J. W. Burchitt, the Missionary sermon at next session.

The report on Minister's Relief Board read by J. S. Kilby.

We are glad to report that the Baptist of our own State have established a ministers releif board which is located at Durham. This board is for the purpose of looking after and aiding the aged and infirm baptist preachers. Those men of God who have given their time and talents to the cause of the Master. We have brethren, "old veterans of the cross," in our own Association who need our attention along this line, and ought not to be neglected. Contributions for this cause should be raised and sent to our board at Durham N. C.

J. S. Kilby } Committee.

Remarks by Rev. M. McNeil and report adopted.

The committee on religious exercises reported that Rev. E. Tucker would preach to-night.

On motion adjourned, prayer by Rev. Stallings, Benediction by Rev. McNeil.

THIRD DAY 9 A. M.

Prayers by Peterson and Gwyn

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Prof. F. B. Hendren, from Moravian Falls Academy accepted a seat.

The moderator announced the following committees for next year. Periodicals, E. N. Gwyn, J. D Edwards. Education, D. T. Oats, J. A. Myers. State Mission, J. S Kilby, E. F. Kane. Home and Foreign Missions, J. W. Myers, G. M. Burcham. Temperance, M. L. Henderson, W. D. Woodruff. Pastoral and church relation, A. J. Williams, D. J. Roberts. Baptist Orphanage, L.H. Carter, W. W. Myers. Minister's Relief Board, P.H. Cockerham, E. A. Suits.

The Clerk was instructed to reserve $5.00 of the minute fund

for his salary, and spend the remainder in printing minutes.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

The committee on Finance report the following:

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.
Center,	50		
Cool Spring,	1 75		1 15
Elkin,	1 50	5 00	5 00
Fishing Creek,	50	1 00	
Gum Orchard,	85		
Liberty Grove,	1 00	3 75	
Macedonia,	65	2 70	
Mt. Carmel,	75		
Mt. Pisgah,	55		
Mt. Pleasant,	50		
Poplar Spring,	55	75	
Pleasant Home,	1 00	70	
Piny Grove,	1 00		
River Side,	70	1 00	
Rock Creek,	1 00		
Ronda,	45		
Shoaly Branch,	70		
Trap Hill,	1 65	5 00	1 90
Union Cross,	50		
White Plains,	77	75	
Total,	16 87	20 65	8 05
For Orphanage, 3 40			

D. T. Oats, J. A. Myers, } Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The report on periodicals read by D. T. Oats.

This is an age of reading and the masses are being taught through the press. To counteract the evil influences often produced by the secular press, it is necessary we should take a religious paper, and we would every one take a denominational paper. Adorn your households with Bible doctrine and religious illustrations which can be had from religious papers at a nominal price. It is surprising how few of our members provide their families with religious literature. We can not create a christian atmosphere without a pure religious air on evey side. We recommend the Biblical Recorder, a most correct consecrated baptist organ published at Raleigh, and the N. C. Baptist a sparkling baptist paper published at Fayetteville. We recommend to our

Sunday Schools, Kind Words, published at Nashville Tenn., and the literature of the American Baptist Publication Society, at Philadelphia.

D. T. Oats } Committee.

Remarks submited by D. T. Oats, F. B. Hendren, B. S. Peterson, Dr. Stallings and the report adopted.

THE REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Some progress has been made in the work during the past year within our bounds.

A church has been organized at Ronda. This is an important R. R. village. We recommend that this body aid the little band which need a house for worship, also in helping to imploy an able man to preach at that point. There are other places in our bounds that ought to be looked after, and to stimulate our people to take deeper interest in our own work. We ask the churches to come up to the help of the Lord along this line as they have never done before.

C. F. Fields, Seretary. E. N. Gwyn, Chairman.

The report adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The report on State Missions read by J. W. Myers.

The Gospel preached in its purity is not only an antidote for sin, but the basis upon which mission work stands.

All churches founded upon the New Testiment of necessity do mission work.

According to the census of 1890, there is in North Carolina a population of more than 1½ millions which 1 million are whites, and the remainder colored, of this number only one-third belong to the different denominations, leaving popolation enough to people 25 cities larger that Wilmington, without a church member in them. Hence the necessity for mission work. We recommend this christian enterprise, as being entitled to your prayers, supplications and liberality. The Lord loveth a cheerful giver.

J. W. Myers } Committee.

Remarks by J. W. Myers, D. J. Harris and report adopted.

On motion adjourned for preaching. The denominational Sermon was preached by Rev. D. J. Harris.

1 o'clock P. M.

On motion, the money contributed for State Missions be turned over to the Executive Committee and applied to the work in our

own bounds.

The following pledges were made for Association missions.

Center,	$1.00	Pleasant Home,	$1.00.
Cool Spring,	$2.00	Piny Grove,	$1.00.
Elkin,	$10.00	River Side,	$2.25.
Fishing Creek,	$1.00	Rock Creek,	$2.00.
Liberty Grove,	$2.00	Trap Hill,	$10.00.
Macedonia,	$2.00	White Plain,	$2.00.
Mt Pleasant,	$1.00	Total,	$37.25.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The report on Education read by J. S. Kilby.

Education is the proper development of the physical, mental and moral powers of mankind. To educate is to meet the demands of the times. This is an important factor in the future lives of the young of to-day: So much so that parents cannot afford to allow their children to grow up in ignorance and superstition. Brethren upon you to whom God has given the care of children, rests the responsibility of the mental, moral and religious training of your children.

Give your boys and girls, at least a practical Education and thus prepare them for life and usefulness. We would recommend that our people take a deeper interest in Ministerial education, not the education of men for the ministry but the education of men for preaching the word of God. "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed," said Paul to Timothy, and should be heeded by all true ministers of the gospel.

Young men studying for the ministry, parents and guardians who have children in their care, to educate, should especially investigate the moral and religious atmosphere of the school they think of patronizing. Brethren we would say that we have two good schools in the bounds of our Association, Trap Hill Institute and Ronda Academy, and in these schools your boys and girls will be well cared for not only mentally but morally and religiously.

J. S Kilby, Com.

After remarks by J. A. Myers, F. B. Hendren and J. N. Stallings the report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The report on Home and Foreign Missions read by J. S. Kilby.

By home missions is meant the giving of the gospel to our own

beloved Southern people and Cuba. Among (1) the native population in cities, country, mountains and frontiers (2) the negroes (3) the Indians. (4) Germans. (5) French. (6) Mexicans. (7) Swedes. (8) Cubans. These people who are coming here by the thousands every year are without the gospel. The Southern Board had last year 368 Missionaries; Baptisms 5711, Sunday Schools organized 412. Teachers and pupils 16.611, Churches constituted 155. Houses of worship built 92.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

My name shall be great among the heathen was wisely uttered The Bible tells us that Paul the great ancient missionary chosen by the great Head of the church for this special work. "Ask of me and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." In obedience to this command we have laborers in China, Italy, Japan, Brazil Africa and Mexico. Total missionaries in foreign lands from our Convention 98; Native assistants 78; Stations 185; Churches 75 Membership 2923; Baptisms last year 383; School 16; Scholars 593 Contribution from native churches $5368.42. Let us of the Elkin Association do more to give the gospel to the destitute in our own bounds and to those beyond the great waters.

The report adopted. W. F. Byrd, Com.

Bro. Kane spoke of a field of labor North of the Association, which was referred to the Executive Committee.

Bro. A. E. Myers suggested raising an Orphanage in our own Association which, on motion, deferred until next Association. Bro. J. W. Burchette suggested having a ministers meeting on each fifth sabbath in December.

On motion adjourned until Thursday before the first Sabbath in September 1894.

E. N. Gwyn, Clerk. C. F. Fields, Mod.

SABBATH.

Prayer meeting by Elder Combs. 11 o'clock sermon by Elder Stalling. Collection for Associational Missions $4.20. Refreshments 1 hour, Elder Harris preached. Collection for Bro. Combs $5 25.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS	CLERKS	POST OFFICE	DELEGATES	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis'ed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Fellowship	
Center.	E. F. Kane.	W. M. McCann.	Parks,	*C. C. Gentry,*	2			14	1		29	1
Cool Spring.	W. F. Byrd.	H. Settle.	Byrd.	*J. W. Fields, F. Gambill, G. M. Lomax.*	13			4	3	4	260	2
Elkin.	W. A. Myers.	C. M. King.	Elkin.	*L. H. Carter, E. N. Gwyn.*	8	5			2	1	55	3
Fishing Creek.	J. A. Foster.	T. B. James.	Straw.	*Wm. Mastin, V. A. Miller,*	3					1	36	1
Gum Orchard.	C. F. Fields.	E. D. Smith.	Kapps Mills.	*J. V. Melton, E. D. Smith,*				1	2	1	70	3
Liberty Grove.	I. T. Prevette.	W. H. Alexander.	Roaring River.	*W. H. Alexander, H. Wiles, G. M. Woodruff,*	1	1	1	7			72	4
Macedonia.	J. Hughes.	J. T. Edwards.	Ronda.	*J. D. Edwards, C. L. Shore.*	4	4					62	1
Mt Carmel.	A. McNight.	J. M. Jordan.	Cherry Lane.	*D. J. Roberts,*				1			56	4
Mt Pisgah.	W. J. Combs.	F. Brewer.	Dockery.	*J. Staley, Z. E. Myers, J. N. Lynsted.*				1			34	1
Mt Pleasant.	E. N. Gwyn.	P. H. Cockerham.	State Road.	*F. F. Moody.*	3						27	1
Poplar Spring.	A. J. Williams.	J. F. Burcham.	State Road.	*J. F. Burcham.*	2	3			2		41	3
Pleasant Home.	J. Hughes.	J. N. Burchit.	Lomax.	*J. N. Burchit, I. Burchit, C. F. Darnall.*	3	1	1	3			58	4
Piny Grove.	C. Blevins.	J. Spicer.	Ira.	*J. Spicer, J. B. Henderson,*	8						47	4
River Side.	A. McNight.	P. H. Caudle.	Devotion.	*J. R. Caudle, J. B. Pardue, P. H. Caudle.*	3	6	1		1	1	33	3
Rock Creek.	G. M. Burcham.	J. Q. Blackburn.	Round Mountain.	*C. P. Gilliam, J. A. Myers, J. W. Myers.*	4		2	35	3		114	2
Ronda.	R. W. Wooten.	N. E. Parlier.	Ronda.	*R. W. Wooten.*							8	4
Shoaly Branch.	S. E. Gentry.	H. F. Carter.	Ozark.								26	3
Trap Hill.	C. Blevins.	J. S. Brinegar.	Trap Hill.	*D. T. Oates, J. S. Kilby.*	9	6		3	1	3	100	3
Union Cross.	W. H. Melton	C. C. Holyfield.	Venable.	*C. C. Holyfield.*	3	2		1	1		24	4
Union Hill.											12	
White Plain.	E. N. Gwyn.			*E. H. Parks, D. L. Tharp.*				5	2		66	3
				Total	66	28	5	80	17	10	1220	3

MINUTES,

—OF THE—

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

ELKIN

Baptist Association,

—HELD WITH—

MACEDONIA CHURCH, WILKES COUNTY, N. C.

August 30, 31, September 1, 1894.

Rev, C. F. FIELDS Moderator, ELKIN, N. C.
Rev. E. N. GWYN Clerk, ELKIN, N. C.

The next Session to convene with
White Plains Church on Thursday before the First Sunday
day in November 1895.

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LIST OF MINISTERS.

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Brown, J. W.	Absher, N.C.	Hughs, John	Byrd, N.C.
Burcham, G. M.	Elkin, "	Jolly, J. R.	Lomax, "
Burchette, J. W.	Roar'gRiv'r "	Kane, E. F	Good Springs, "
Blevins, Cally	Absher. "	Melton, W. H.	Kapp's Mills, "
Caudle, J. J.	Dockery, "	Myers, A. E.	Round Mt. "
Combs, W. J.	Trap Hill, "	Myers, W. W.	" "
Fields, C. F.	Elkin, "	Roberts, D. J.	Cherrylane, "
Franklin, J. K.	Devotion, "	Settle, J. F.	Byrd, "
Gwyn, E. N.	Elkin, "	Williams, A J.	Kapp's Mills, "
Harris, Wm.	Kapp's Mills, "	Gentry, S. E.	State Road, "

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LICENTIATES.

Barker, J. N.	Lomax,	Combs, J. R.	Trap Hill,
Bullard, J.	Elkin,	Norton, J. H.	Venable,
Carter, L. H.	"	Porter, J.	Round Mountain,
Harris, J. F.	Byrd,	Laffoon, W. J.	Elkin,
Hampton, J. E.	Elkin,	Settle, H.	Byrd,
Jolly, L. S.	Lomax,	Smith, J. F.	Ozark,
McCann, C. P.	Cherrylane,	Suits, E. A.	Round Mountain,
Myers, J. W.	Round Mt.	Whitly, E. A.	" "
Myers, J. A	" "		

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EXECUTIVE BOARD.

J. S. Kilby,	Trap Hill,	B. J. Snow,	Kapp's Mills,
J. A. McCann,	Parks,	W. D. Woodruff,	Knotville,

C. F. Fields, Elkin,

PROCEEDINGS.

MACEDONIA CHURCH, WILKES CO., N. C.

Thursday, August 30th, 1894.

Sermon preached by Rev. D. J. Roberts.

REFRESHMENTS 30 MINUTES.

Convened. Prayer by Rev. J. E. Greene, Letters received and read.

On motion door was opened for newly constituted churches; when Roaring Gap and Mulberry churches were received. On motion proceeded to elect officers. Rev. C. F. Fields elected Moderator and E. N. Gwyn Clerk.

Invited correspondents. From Brier Creek Prof. J. H. Foote, with Bro. J. Dimmette. Yadkin Rev. J. E Greene, Bro. J. M. Dobbins.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Arrangements. J. S. Kilby, B. J. Snow, J. M. McCann, J. W. Burchette, A. A. Parks.

Finance, E. A Womble, J. A. McCann.

Religious Exercises, L. H. Carter, Pastor and Delegates of this church.

Special changes, H. F. Carter, J. F. Edwards.

Time and Place, E. H. Parks, H. Settle.

Nominating Committee, J. W. Fields, R. G. Hickerson, G. M. Burcham.

Education, J. A. McCann, J. H. Foote.

Correspondents reported, J. R. Jolly and W. D. Woodruff attended Brushy, Mountain.

Appointed Correspondents, Ashe and Alleghany, D. J. Roberts J A. McCann, E. N. Gwyn.

Brier Creek, Burcham, Fields and Gwyn.

Yadkin, J. M. McCann, Fields, Gwyn and Burcham. Brushy Mountain J. W. Burchette, W. D. Woodruff. Baptist State Convention, J. S. Kilby, J. R. Jolly, C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchette.

On motion meet at 9 A.M. adjourn at 11 for preaching, convene at 1 P. M. adjourn at will.

On motion adjourned, Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchette.

SECOND DAY, 9 A. M.

Prayers by Roberts and Fields.

Called roll of Delegates.

Committee of Arrangements reported, report adopted, Read preceeding minutes.

Constitution and Rules of Decorum read.

Correspondents invited. Rev. W. R. Gwaltney representing the board of ministerial education. Prof. B. F. Sled of Wake Forest College also representing Biblical Recorder. Bro. B. S. Peterson representing N. C. Baptist and Bro. D. R. Edwards, from Brushy Mountain all accepted seats.

The Secretary of the S. S. Convention of this Association requested to report annually to this body.

REPORT.

The 3rd annual session of the Elkin S. S. Convention met in Trap Hill Baptist church August 17th, 1894, and was a successful meeting of the S. School of Elkin Association, and other schools out side. 21 Schools represented with over 1300 pupils. Let every minister and christian become S. S. workers in their Master's vineyard that the number of Schools and scholars may be increased in the future.

J. A. McCann, Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING.

The Printing Press is a mighty engine using its power for good, or for evil. When for good it is for the elevation of the human race and for the glory of God, but when it is for evil it is for sin and satan, debasing men, women and children, and destructive to immortal souls. It is fully important that a pure and healthy literature be read by our people and circulated over the entire country. We reccomend first, The Holy Bible as being all worthy of our daily study, and prayerful meditation and entire obedience.

We recommend the N. C. Baptist published at Fayetteville, at $1.00 per year, to this Association. The price being so low for such a valuable paper its visits should be made to every family. We recommend the Biblical Recorder an eight page paper at $2.00 per year. for ministers $1,00; to our people as still worthy of their support. We recommend the Foreign Mission Journal published at Richmond Va. and Charity and Children published in behalf of the orphans at Thomasville.

E. N. Gwyn, J. D. Edwards, } Committee.

Remarks by B. S. Peterson W. R. Gwaltney and Prof. Sled, Report adopted.

Nominating Committee reported as follows: for Executive Committee. J. S. Kilby, C. F. Fields, B. J. Snow, J. A. McCann, W. D. Woodruff. Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching sermon by J. E. Greene, Refreshments one hour.

1 P. M

THE TREASURERS REPORT.

Received at last Association.

From Committee on Finance.

Minute fund	$17.00
State Mission	20.65
Foreign Missions.	8.05
For Orpanage	3.40
Total	$49 10

Expended as follows.

Printing Minutes	$12.00
My own fees	5.00
State Missions	20.65
Foreign Missions	8.05
For Orphanage	3.40
Total	$49.10

E. N. Gwyn Treasurer

Committee on Pastoral and Church Relation offered the following. We feel ourselves under many obligations to our pastor. because we know that he cannot perform, unless aided and supported by the churches. Neither can the church prosper unless the pastor does his entire duty. The church should support her pastor and see that he is not hampered in his work by poverty, they should cooperate with him in all the work of the church in prayers and in love to him and one another.

D. J .Roborts, Committee.

Remarks by W. R. Gwaltney, J. E. Greene, J. W. Burchette and the report adopted. Report of Executive Committee read by J S. Kilby. Your committee convened, soon after last Association and adopted plans of work for the year. We decided to employ Rev. J. W. Burchette as missionary. Bro. Burchette took hold of this work and worked faithfully in different parts of our Association and statedly at Ronda and Mulberry, Has traveled 435 miles, preached 62 Sermons, made 105 religious visits, Baptised 31. As a result of his efforts, we have constituted a church at Roaring Gap, with 14 members, and at Mulberry with 10 members. There are other important places that ought to have preaching we do hope that the churches will increase their contributions to this mission work.

J. A. Myers Secretary. J. S. Kilby Chairman.

Report adopted.

Committee on Ministers relief Board offered the following.

We are glad to report that the Baptist of our own state, have

established a ministers Relief Board, located at Durham.

This board is for the purpose of aiding the aged and infirm Baptist preachers, those men of God who have given their time and talent to the work of the Master. We have brethren in our own Association who need attention, and ought not to be neglected. Contributions should be raised for this cause and sent to our board at Durham, N. C

P. H. Cockerham, } Committee.

REPORT ON FINANCE,

The Committee on Finance reported as follows,

CHURCHES.	Minute fund.	Missions	Paid J W Burchett
Center,	45		
Cool Spring,	1 55		
Elkin,	1 25	6 20	6 20
Fishing Creek,	40	40	40
Gum Orchard,	75		
Liberty Grove,	65	50	50
Macedonia,	92	4 12	4 12
Mt. Carmel,	65		
Mt. Pisgah,	35		
Mt. Pleasant,	50		
Mulberry,	75		
Poplar Springs,	75		
Pleasant Home,	1 10	1 00	1 00
Piney Grove,	50		
River Side,	35	20	20
Rock Creek,	60		
Ronda,	75		
Roaring Gap,	1 00	1 00	1 00
Shoaly Branch ,	70		
Trap Hill,	1 28	12 10	12 10
Union Cross,	50		
White Plain,	60		
	16 35	25 52	25 52

Received at last Association, ... $4.10.
Received at Sunday School Convention ..... 5.96.

In all 51,93
Paid to J. W. Burchette, ... 35,58
Paid to Treasurer, ... 16.35

Total ..... 51.93.

J. A. McCann, } Committee.
E. A. Womble, }

Instructed the clerk to reserve $5,00 for his own fees, and use the balance for printing minutes.

Committee on Time and place, reported Place, White Plain Time, Thursday before the first Sunday in November 1895.

Preacher, S. F. Gentry, Alternate, J. W. Myers. Rev W. R. Gwaltney addressed the association on ministerial education. One dollar and forty cents was raised for the board of Education, and pledges for the same as follows. Cool Spring $1.00 Elkin $3.00 Macedonia $2.00, Mt. Carmel $1,00, Ronda $1.00, Trap Hill $2,00, White Plain $1.00.

Adjourned Prayer, by Rev, W. R. Gwaltney.

THIRD DAY 9 A. M.

Prayer by Rev. W. R. Gawltney. Minutes of yesterday read and approved, Rev. McBee of Ronda, present and recognized.

The Report on Education read,

Education is the proper development of the physical, mental and morals of mankind To educate is to meet the demands of the times. This is an important factor in the future lives of the young of to day. Parents can not afford to let their children grow up in ignorance and superstition. Brethren upon you to whom God has given the care of children, rests the responsibility of the mental moral and religious training of your children. The minds of the young people are impressed by examples, of parents, teachers and preachers. The prosperity of church and State depends upon the resources of a cultivated and trained intellect.

Parents and guardians who have children in their care, should investigate the moral and religious atmosphere of the School they think of patronizing. There are two good Schools in the bounds of our Association, Trap Hill Institute, under the Supervision of Prof. Wagoner and Ronda Academy under the the Supervision of Prof. Greene.

We would entreat our people to give their support to Trap Hill Institute as it is a child of Elkin Association We recommend Wake Forest College, as a grand institution of learning and ranks among the highest institutions of the South.

We submit the following as an amendment on general Education.

Whereas the amount of money used in the public schools, gives only about a 3 months School in each district, and pays teachers a monthly salary of about $22 and whereas, the amount of taxes of the people drawn from the public treasury, in 1893 and 1894, for higher education, is $148.000. Therefore resolved 1st that in our opinion the Legislature, soon to be electled by the people,

ought to provide for a 4 months School in each district, in every county in the State, Resolved 2nd that in our opinion the people's taxes should not be appropriated by the Legislature to higher education, Resolved 3rd that in our opinion the appropriation of the taxes of the people to education is a hindrance, and not a help to the best educational interest of N. C.

J. A. McCann, J. H. Foote, } Committee.

Remarks by J. A. McCann, B. F. Sled, J. E. Greene, E. L. Wagoner, W. R. Gawltney, and J. H. Foote, report adopted.

The report, on special changes, stated that Bro. W. T. Hedgepeth, a deacon of Elkin church and Bro. C. J. Durham, a deacon of Macedonia church, have passed away and gone to their eternal rest.

H. F. Carter, J. T. Edwards, } Committee.

REFRESHMENT, 1 HOUR.

1 P. M.

The Report on Orphanage read,

Our Orphanage is doing a grand and noble work, in maintaining and training up in the christain life of over 125 children, annually. These little ones are brought in from all over this great State of ours, and while we have so many, yet there comes up the cry daily to help more and more of these little ones. Brethren in Christ, the burden is ours these are the children of our brethren. Let us come up to the help of the Lord, by giving of our means to their support. Thereby raising up these boys and girls for his honor and glory.

B. S. Peterson, L. H. Carter, } Committee.

Remarks by W. R. Gwaltney, and J. H. Foote. The pastors were requested to lay this matter before their churches and take a collection for the Orphanage during the year.

The report on State Missions read by J. S. Kilby.

Brethren; when you were converted you were so full of the mission spirit you coulden't help but tell others of the blessed Lord Then as the Lord gives his people this kind of a spirit it should not be suppressed or hid under a bushel, but it should be cultivated. Talk to our neighbors about Jesus, and thus encourage the christian along the way. Tell sinners about the dreadful consequences of sin, and the glorious inheritance of the righteous. Go out into the high ways and hedges and compel the people to come to the house of the Lord. How? By letting this mission spirit shine, with good words and works. If some of the people are too far from church to attend, build mission chapels in their midst. Help support the minister, so that he may give the words of

life and salvation to the destitute. Feed the hungry, clothe the naked and help to give the Bible to those who have it not. A great many bright boys and girls in this mountain country are unable to go to church and Sunday School, for want of proper clothing. Christian people do your duty in mission work, and God will give you such a blessing that there will not be room to contain it. We have this year in our State, 87 missionaries who are going into destitute sections, preaching the gospel, organizing churches and Sunday Schools. Help these men of God so that they may continue to work in the vineyard of the Lord.

"Give and it shall be given unto you, good measure pressed down and shaken together and running over." Luke 6, 38. Remember the words of the Lord Jesus. "It is more blessed to give than to receive," Acts 20; 30.

J. S. Kilby, } Committee.

Remarks by J. W. Burchette, W. R. Gawltney. Report adopted.

Pledges for this work. Elkin $5.00, T. B. James $1.00, Macedonia $3.00, Mt. Carmel $1.00, Ronda $2.00 Trap Hill $10.00, White Plain $2.00, J. V. Melton $1.00, C. F. Fields $1.00.

The report on Home and Foreign Missions read, by J. W, Myers.

Christianity carries with it the spirit of giving to others. Thus all enlightened christians, of necessity, are liberal in aiding every work that elevates morals and religion. The Baptist should strive to do a great work in the future than they have in the past. The broad acres of our home field lack supplies, so much good can be accomplished by contributing to support the men of God preaching Jesus. The foreign fields, China, Italy, Japan, Brazil, Africa, Mexico and all other fields, open for missionary labor, should be given aid, that they may have the gospel preached unto them. Our Association has not given much to this most worthy enterprise.

Brethren to the front with our means as God hath prospered us and the Lord will reward us as faithful servants.

J. W. Myers, } Committee.

Remarks by J. W. Myers, Report adopted.

Miscellaneous matter called for. Pledges amounting to $16.00 with some lumber and several days work, were promised for the completion of Shoaly Branch church.

On motion the following resolution adopted.

Resolved that the thanks of this body are tendered to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community, for their kind hospitality in supporting this association.

On motion a collection to be taken tomorrow for state missions.

On motion adjourned to time and place of next meeting. Prayer by G. M. Burcham, Song "God be with you till we meet again" was sung. Benediction by W. R. Gwaltney.

E. N. Gwyn, Clerk. C. F. Fields, Moderator.

SABBATH.

11 A. M. Rev. W. R. Gwaltney preached a missionary sermon. Collection $2.50 for State missions.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Post Office.	Pastors.	Cleks	Delegates.	No. Baptised.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dimissed by letter	Excluded.	Died.	Fellowship.
Center,	Parks,	S. E. Gentry	Wm. McCann,	*A. A. Parks, Wm, McCann,*	1	4	2	3			33
Cool Spring,	Elkin,	G. M. Burcham	H. Settle,	*J. W Fields, J. R. McCann, H. Settle,*	17	3		4	2	1	273
Elkin,	Elkin,	A. T. Pardue	C. M. King,	*C. M. King, L. H. Carter, W. J. Laffoon,*	1	19	1	2	1	1	72
Fishing Creek,	Straw,	M. Walker	T. B James,	*T. B. James, Alex Miller,*			1		1	1	35
Gum Orchard,	Kapp's Mills,	C. F. Fields	E. D. Smith,	*J. V. Melton, B. J. Snow, R. Wilmoth,*	9	2		1			80
Liberty Grove,	Knotville,	A T. Pardue	W. N. Alexander	*W. D. Woodruff,*		7				1	80
Macedonia,	Ronda, ✓	J. W. Burchet	J. T. Edwards,	*J. I. Dimmett, J. S. Poplin, J. T. Edwards,*	2	2		4	1	1	59
Mt. Carmel,	Cherrylane, ✓	A. McNight	J. M. Jordan,	*D. J. Roberts, G. A. Gentry, J. M. Jordan,*	1			8		2	47
Mt. Pisgah,	Dockery, ✓	W. J. Combs	F. Brewer,	*G. E. Myers,*				1			34
Mt. Pleasant,	State Road, ✓	C. F. Fields	P. H Cockerham,	*Roma Johnson, P. H. Cockerham,*							27
Mulberry,	Wiles,	J. W. Burchet	C. P. Gilliam,	*A. P. Myers, W. F. Myers*							10
Poplar Springs,	Elkin, ✓	A. J. Williams	J. F. Burcham,	*J. A. Chipman J. F. Burcham*	1	4			1		45
Pleasant Home	Lomax,	W. W. Myers	J. N. Burchette,	*H. W. Cockerham T. M. Byrd J. M. Byrd*	13	3					74
Piney Grove	Absher.	J. J. Caudle	J. H. Spicer,	*J. B. Henderson*	5			20		1	33
River Side,	Devotion, ✓	A. J. Williams	J. B. Pardue,	*Jackson Combs Wm. Cook*	2			4			31
Rock Creek,	Round Mt.	W. W. Myers	I. N. Baugus,	*I. N. Baugus J. W. Myers*	12	1	1	14	3	1	110
Ronda,	Ronda,	J. E. Greene	R. W. Wooten,	*E. A. Womble R. G. Hickerson*	1	3					12
Roaring Gap,	Parks,	J. W. Burchet	C. C. Gentry,	*J. A. McCann J. M. McCann C. C. Gentry*	3						14
Shoaly Branch,	Ozark,	S. E. Gentry	H. F. Carter,	*G. W. Gilliam H. F. Carter*	17			1	1		48
Trap Hill,	Trap Hill,	J. W. Burchet	T. C. Debord,	*J. S. Kilby T. C Debord J. S. Holbrook*	15			4	3	1	107
Union Cross.	Venable, ✓	W. H. Melton	C. C. Holyfield,	.....							29
White Plain,	Roar'g River,	E. N. Gwyn	W. F. Alexander	*J. A. Childres, S. J. Greenwood, E. H. Parks,*	8	5	1	2			75
				Total	108	53	6	68	13	10	13[illegible]

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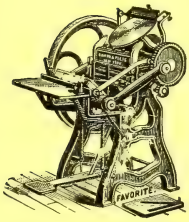

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—HELD WITH—

WHITE PLAINS CHURCH, WILKES CO., N. C.
Oct. 31, Nov. 1, 2, 3, 1895.

J. S. KILBY, – MODERATOR, Traphill, N. C.
J. A. McCANN, – CLERK, Roaring Gap, "

The next session to convene with Union Cross Church, 5 miles South-west of Dobson, on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in Sept., 1896

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PROCEEDINGS.

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THURSDAY, 12 M., Oct. 31st, 1895.

The Seventeenth Annual Session of the Elkin Baptist Association met with the White Plains Baptist Church, Roaring River, N. C. Introductory Sermon by Rev. E. N. Gwyn. Text, Hebrews, 13:1.

INTERMISSION, 30 MINUTES.

Association re-assembled. Prayer by Rev. A. J. Williams.

Church Letters read.

On motion, Baptist Home Church re-instated to fellowship.

On motion opened door for the reception of new churches: South Fork Baptist Church presented letter.

On motion appointed J. S. Holbrook and Rev. A. J. Williams committee on reception of South Fork Baptist Church, to report on to-morrow.

On motion, proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Bros. James H. Foote and Z. T. Bagby acted as tellers.

Elected J. S. Kilby, Moderator, and J. A. McCann, Clerk.

RECOGNIZED AS CORRESPONDENTS.

Bros. J. H. Foote of the Brier Creek Association and Z. T. Bagby and Prof E. L. Wagoner of the Ashe and Alleghany Association.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Arrangements; Bros. J. V. Melton, J. S. Holbrook, J. Staly, Revs. C. F. Fields, and J. W. Burchett.

Education; J. H. Foote and Prof. E. L, Wagoner.

State Missions; Revs. E. N, Gwyn, and J. J. Caudill.

Home and Foreign Missions; B. F. Rollins and S. J. Greenwood.

Orphanage; J. T. Edwards and J. A. Poplin.

Temperance; J. W. Burchett and J. A. McCann.

Periodicals; J. H. Foote, and J. S. Holbrook.

Ministers Relief Board; Grant Cothren and J. V. Melton.

Pastoral and Church Relation; E. N. Gwyn, and J. Staly.

Finance; T. C. Deborde and J. W. Hix.

Special Changes; L. H. Carter and C. S. McNight.

Nominating Committee; W. W Myers, W. B. Elledge and W.S. Edwards.

Religious Exercises; J. N. Burchett with delegates of this church.

Time, Place and Preacher; A. J. Williams and C. S. Dobbins.

CORRESPONDENTS REPORT.

Rev. J. W. Burchett, and J. S. Holbrook, attended Ashe and Alleghany Association. Rev. C. F. Fields attended New River Association.

On motion, appointed C. F. Fields and T. C. Deborde a committee on Digest of Church Letters.

CORRESPONDENTS APPOINTED.

To attend the Ashe and Alleghany Association; Rev. J. W. Burchett and J. J. Caudill. Brier Creek Association; J. W. Burchett, E. N. Gwyn, and L. H. Carter. Yadkin Baptist Association; A. J. Williams, C. F. Fields, and J. W. Hix. Brushy Mountain Association; E. N. Gwyn and Grant Cothren. New River Association J. W. Burchett, C. F. Fields and E. N. Gwyn. Baptist State Convention, J. W. Burchett, J, S. Kilby. Southern Baptist Convention Rev. C. F. Fields.

PROGRAME.

On motion, meet at 9 a. m., adjourn at 11 a. m. for preaching, convene at 1 p. m., adjourn at will.

Committee on Religious Exercises announced Rev. A. J. Williams to preach on to-morrow, 11 a. m.

On motion adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. Grant Cothren.

Song; "Blest be the tie that binds."

Benediction by Rev J. W. Burchett.

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MORNING SESSION.

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FRIDAY, 9 A. M. Nov. 1st, 1895.

Association met.

Song: "There is a fountain."

97th. Psalm read and prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Song: "God's own hand doth lead me on."

Roll of delegates called.

Committee on Arrangements read report and report adopted. Preceeding Minutes read and adopted.

Constitution and Rules of Decorum read. Discussion by C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchett, and E. N. Gwyn.

On motion, of J. W. Burchett, amended Sec. 15th of Constitution by striking out the word "licentiates."

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT.

Yor committee on reception of South Fork Church report favorably on receiving same.

J. S. HOLBROOK, }
A. J. WILLIAMS, } Com.

Report adopted. The moderator extended the right hand of welcome to delegates from the South Fork Church.

MINISTERS RELIEF BOARD.

Our Ministers Relief Board is aiding a number of our aged and infirm ministers who have worn themselves out in the work of the Lord. Brethren, let us give liberally of our own means to aid in this grand work. We would urge our Pastors to lay this matter before their churches and take a collection at least once a year for this Board.

J. V. MELTON, }
GRANT COTHREN, } Com.

Discussion by Revs. Grant Cothren and J. W. Burchett. Report adopted.

SPECIAL CHANGES.

We are sorry to chronicle the death of Rev. J. E. Green who died in Sept. last of typhoid fever in the 29th year of his age and who had been earnestly engaged in the work of the ministry for five years, serving churches as pastor, always faithful to his charge. Bro. Green was teaching the school at Ronda, known as the Collegiate High School, and had built up a good school, and was one of the best educators of the State. Brethren, we have sustained a great loss in the death of Bro. Green, but we hope our loss is his eternal gain. Let us imitate his example and be prepared to meet him where parting is known no more.

L. H. CARTER, }
C. S. McNIGHT, } Com.

Report adopted.

Nominating Committee Report.

Your committee report the names of J. S. Holbrook, W. W. Myers, J. I. Dimmitt, J. A. McCann, and B. F. Rollins for your Ex. Committee.

W. W MYERS, }
W. B. ELLEDGE, } Committee.
W. S. EDWARDS, }

Report adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER.

Time, Thursday before the 4th Sunday in Sept., 1896. Place Union Cross Church, 5 miles South-west of Dobson. Preacher, J. W. Myers. Alternate; Grant Cothren. A J. WILLIAMS, } Committee
C. S. DOBBINS, }

Report adopted.

PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION.

The word Pastor means Shepherd. In olden times the Shepherd's staff was an emblem of his office: and it also served as a weapon of defence when the enemy was wont to destroy and scatter the sheep. Apt to teach, giving attention to reading, to prayer and exhortation, making full proof of his ministry by circumscribing his life and deportment to the teaching of God's word, one of the emblems of this office, and as the Apostle says: "Who is sufficient for these things." Tis not a cause of small import the Pastor's care demands: but what might fill an angels heart and filled a Savior's hand. The pastor should feed the lambs, as was told by the Saviour to Peter. These are they who are newly converted to Christ. They need such instruction as will promote their growth in grace, and that which enables them to discharge their duties to Christ and to the church. Many a young disciple of Jesus is left as a spiritual orphan, after joining the church, for the lack of proper culture and training to action and to duty. The Pastor is also to feed the sheep, that is, the elder members of the church. They require such food as will stimulate them to a growth in Christianity, and to acting well their part in the kingdom of Jesus. Time is too short and souls too precious for the Pastor and flock to live idly in Christ's vineyard.

The duty of the Church to the Pastor, is to loose him to the full work of the ministry. The laws of the land enjoin that their officers shall be compensated. The Apostle says that they which preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel, that is shall live by that occupation. They who preach ONLY for stipulation are unfit for a Pastor, and they who serve a church for nothing are unfit for a pastor. The Pastor should visit the sick, and visit the homes of every member of his church, and pray with and instruct the children. The Church should love and pray for their pastor.

E. N. GWYN, } Com.
J. STALY, }

Discussion by E. N. Gwyn, C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchett.
Report adopted.
Adjourned for preaching.
Song: "Amazing grace how sweet the sound."

Prayer by E. N. Gwyn.

Sermon by Rev. A. J. Williams. Text Gal. 6: 2.

EVENING SESSION.

Association re-assembled at 1 p. m.

Song: "Jesus Lover of my soul."

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Bros. M. H. Martin and J. Dimmitt, from Brier Creek Association and Rev. G. C. Woodruff from Stony Fork Association.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received at last Association, from Finance Committee, for printing minutes, $17.00.

Expended for printing Minutes,	$14.00
My Fees,	5.00
Total	$19.00

E. N. GWYN, Treasurer.

Report adopted.

PERIODICALS.

The bee gathers honey from flower to flower; so do men, women and children receive knowledge from everything they read; and that knowledge is indelibly stamped upon the mind, producing its good or evil influence.

At no time in our history as a Denomination, has the necessity for our people to be informed in all the departments of our Christian work been so great. We would earnestly urge that each member of our churches read as much good literature as possible. We recommend the Biblical Recorder and the North Carolina Baptist as worthy of the support of all our people. We recommend the Kind Word Series of the Southern Baptist Convention to our Sunday Schools and to our young people as worthy of their support.

J. H. FOOTE, } Com.
J. S. HOLBROOK. }

Discussion by J. H. Foote. J. W. Burchett, E. L. Wagoner and E. N. Gwyn. Report adopted. Taken collection to send Recorder to Revs. John Hughes, W. J. Combs and Wm. Harris.

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee recommend Temperance in all things right and useful and abstinence from all things that are wrong and hurtful. Viewing with alarm the rapid strides that intemperance is making in our country and the withering hand it is laying on the youth of our land and believing it the duty of the Elkin Association, as a

Christian body, to enter into a solemn protest, we, therefore recommend the advice of the Association two years ago. And temperance, being a Bible doctrine, we recommend that our preachers earnestly preach temperance.

J. A. McCANN. } Com.
J. W. BURCHETT. }

Discussion by J. A. McCann, J. W. Burchett, and G. M. Burcham. Prayer by E. N. Gwyn. Report adopted.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

By examining the letters from the different churches we find the following:

Received by	Baptism,	101	Dismissed by	Letter,	78
" "	Letter,	52		Excluded,	17
" "	Restoration,	7		Died,	17
	Total,	160		Total,	112

Gain, ... 48

Pastor's Salary,	$130.00
State Missions,	10.00
Home and Foreign Missions	10.96
Baptist Orphanage	1.60
Ministers Relief Board,	1.15
Education,	80
Total,	$154.51

C. F. FIELDS, Com.

Discussion by C. F. Fields, E. N. Gwyn, and G. M. Burcham. Short talk by one delegate from each church. Report adopted. On motion adjourned. Committee on Religious Exercises announce John Jolly and B. F. Rollins to preach to-night and C. F. Fields to-morrow at 11 a m. Prayer by W. W. Myers. Song: "God be with you." Benediction by A. E. Myers.

MORNING SESSION.

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SATURDAY, 9 A. M., Nov. 2nd, 1895.

Association met. Music by the congregation. Scripture Lesson read by J. W. Burchett. Song: "All hail the power of Jesus name." Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchett. Preceeding minutes read and adopted.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Bro. D. R. Edwards and Rev. A. T. Pardue of the Brushy Mountain Association.

FINANCE REPORT.

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Ministers Relief Board.	Orphanage.	Education.
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Baptist Home,	40					
Center,	65			....	....	....
Cool Spring,	1 65			....	....	....
Elkin,	1 50	5 00	6 61	....	....	....
Fishing Creek,				....	....	....
Gum Orchard,	75			50	50	....
Liberty Grove,	65			....	....	....
Macedonia,	1 00	2 80	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00
Mt. Carmel,	60			....	....	....
Mt. Pisgah,	35			....	....	....
Mt. Pleasant,				....	....	....
Mulberry,	40			....	....	....
Poplar Springs,	60			....	....	....
Pleasant Home,	75	35		....	....	....
Piney Grove,	60			....	....	....
River Side,	40			....	....	....
Rock Creek,	95			....	....	....
Ronda,	75		3 10	....	....	1 00
Roaring Gap,	75			....	....	....
Shoaly Branch,	44			....	....	....
Traphill,	1 50	5 00	1 25	65	1 10	....
Union Cross,	1 00			....	....	....
White Plains,	75			....	....	....
South Fork,	15			....	....	....
Total	16 59	13 15	11 96	2 15	2 60	3 00

Received for Minute Fund, ... $16.59
" " State Missions, ... 13.15
" " Home and Foreign Missions, ... 11.96
" " Orphanage, ... 2.60
" " Ministers Relief Board, ... 2.15
" " Education, ... 3.00
Total, ... $49.45
Ronda Church paid to Board, ... $3.10
Paid to Treasurer, ... 46.35
Total, ... $49.45

T. C. DEBORDE, } Com.
J. W. HIX. }

Report adopted.

Sunday School Report.

The Secretary of the Elkin Sunday School Convention submits the following statistical table as a report from the Convention to the Elkin Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

S. S.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	P. O.	Enrollment.
Bethel,	J. N. Brooks,	Wiles,	115
Center,	Wm. McCann,	Parks,	40
Cool Spring,	J. R. McCann,	Elkin,	123
Covenant,	C. W. Cheek,	Dockery,	65
Elkin,	I. L. Shugart,	Elkin,	125
Gum Orchard,	G. G. Tucker,	Venable,	86
Liberty Grove,	J. C. Henderson,	Knotville,	104
Mt. Carmel,	D. J. Roberts,	Cherry Lane,	70
Mt. Pisgah,	R. E. Caudill,	Dockery,	72
Macedonia,	J. T. Edwards,	Ronda.	49
Mulberry,	W. F. Myers,	Mulberry,	40
Oak Spring,	Hiram Settle,	Byrd,	63
Pleasant Home,	T. M. Byrd,	Lomax,	95
Piney Grove,	J. B. Henderson,	Absher,	40
Roaring Gap,	J. F. Gentry,	Parks,	67
Rock Creek	J. W. Myers,	Round Mt.	78
Shoaly Branch,	Charlie Spencer,	Ozark,	50
Traphill,	J. S. Kilby,	Traphill,	173
White Plains	J. A. Poplin.	Roaring River,	85
		Total, ...	1540

We see from the above table that the Sunday School work is growing. We see great need for more energy in this work and advise our pastors and our old people to put forth their best efforts and encourage the Sabbath schools more and the Lord will bless the work abundantly. In the rightly conducted Sunday School the attendants not only receive mental but spiritual training. The child's heart is prepared for the reception of the blessed truths of the gospel. It is an undeniable fact that children brought up in

the Sunday School not only make regular attendants at church, but make the most faithful church workers. Brethren, it is important that we, you and I, take greater interest in this work. I would recommend for special discussion, Sunday, 9:30 A. M.: The origin of the Sunday schools. The influence of the Sunday School on the neighborhood.

JOHN A. HOLBROOK,
Sec. S. S. Convention.

Discussion by J. A. Holbrook and E. N. Gwyn.
Report adopted.

ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage at Thomasville is an enterprise all Baptist should be proud of. It is a good Charitable Institution and commends its support to all Christian people in the State. There are now about 125 orphan children there that have to be fed and clothed and prepared for usefulness in the world. Brethren, let us not neglect these objects of our sympathy and benevolence. Let us in the Elkin Association show by our acts that these poor children are dear to us as the Savior taught us by his example, when he took little children in his arms and blessed them.

We earnestly recommend that the Pastors take an Annual collection in their churches for the support of these orphans.

J. T. EDWARDS }
J. A. POPLIN } Committee.

Discussion by J. H. Foote, J. W. Burchett, and E. N. Gwyn. Pledges were taken from the following churches: Baptist Home. $1.00; Center, $1.00; Cool Spring, $1.00; Elkin, $5.00, Fishing Creek, $1.00; Macadonia, $3.00; Mt. Pisgah, $1.00; Mulberry, $1.00; Pleasant Home, $1.00; Piney Grove, $1.00; Ronda, $2.00; Roaring Gap, $1.00; Traphill, $5.00; White Plains, $1.00; Total, 25.00.

Report Adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is of *vast* importance, for it is the pillar upon which all the missions, at home and abroad, rests, and the object of which is to carry the Gospel of Peace into every destitute neighborhood in North Carolina. Ninety-five missionaries are employed in this work. And the results of their work has been greater the past year than ever before. Several hundred have been baptized, many churches have been organized; and 224 new Sabbath Schools have been organized, and 1500 churches have been supplied with literaature by the supply store at Raleigh.

Brethren, these ARE encouraging results, and should induce us all to greater action to duty, in assisting the missionaries in all their labors of toil and sacrifice, for the dear Master, in the extending of His Kingdom into all parts of our State.

Brethren, it only requires a concert of action and a giving as the Lord hath prospered us, to enable us to do our duty for the Salvation of man and for the glory of God in our mission enterprise.

The Board needs help NOW to pay that which they honestly owe these dear workers for Jesus, and let us do our part, until Jesus shall reign wherever the sun does his successive journeys run, His Kingdom stretch from shore to shore till moons shall wax and wane no more.

E. N. GWYN, }
J. J. CAUDILL, } Committee.

Discussion by Revs. E. N. Gwyn, and J. W. Burchett. Pledges were made by the following churches: Elkin, $5.00; Macedonia, $3,00; Roaring Gap, $1.00; Traphill, $11,00; White Plains, $1.00; South Fork $0.50; Total, 20.50.

Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching.

Song: "What a friend." Prayer by Rev. John Jolly.

Sermon by C. F Fields. Text: Col., 3; 3-4.

Conclusion by A. T. Pardew. Prayer by John Hughes.

INTERMISSION.

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EVENING SESSION.

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Association re-aseembled at 1 P. M.

Music by cougregation.

The Moderator announced the following committes for next year.

Education, J. A. McCann and S. J. Greenwood.

State Misisons, J. S. Holbrook and J. R. Caudill·

H. and F. Missions, C. F. Fields and J. T. Edwards.

Orphanage, E. N. Gwyn and A. E. Womble.

Temperance, J. V. Melton and J. A. Myers.

Periodicals, L. H. Carter and C. S. McNight.

Ministers Relief Board, Grant Cothren and C. S. Dobbins.

Pastoral and Church Relation, J. N. Burchett and G. M, Woodruff

Special Changes, T. C. Deborde and J. W. Hix.

EDUCATION.

Never before in the history of our country have so many people been striving for an education as are to-day. Our people are realizing that education is the only hope of our country. We as a denomination, must educate if we wish to grow and prosper in proportion to our sister denominations. We request that our brethren patronize Baptist Schools. We recommend as a preparatory school Traphill Institute—a school fostered by this Association. For Collegiate work we recommend Wake Forest College.

J. H. FOOTE, } Com.
E. L. WAGONER, }

Discussion by Prof. E. L. Wagoner, Revs. J. W. Burchett and E. N. Gwyn. Report adopted.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Home Mission field includes giving the gospel to the Negro, the Indian, the Foreign population and the Islands of Cuba. There are now over 300 men of God laboring among these unfortunate ones and God is wonderfully blessing their labors and thousands of souls being saved. Brethren, let us not neglect our duty in helping to support these men.

The Foreign Mission field embraces China, Japan, Africa, Brazil, Mexico and Italy. There are over one hundred missionaries, besides a number of native assistants laboring in these fields with encouraging results. Brethren, let us heed the command of our Saviour, "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," and give liberally of our means to aid in this great work of giving the Gospel to the destitute nations.

B. F. ROLLINS, } Com.
S. J. GREENWOOD, }

Discussion by B. F. Rollins, E. L. Wagoner, C. F. Fields, E. N. Gwyn and E. A. Womble. Report adopted. On motion, take a collection for missions on to-morrow. On motion, instruct the Clerk to reserve five dollars for his services and expend balance for printing minutes.

Committee on Religious Exercises announce Revs. G. C. Woodruff and G. M. Burcham to preach to-night and J. W. Burchett Sunday, 11 A. M.

Resolution read by E. N. Gwyn. RESOLVED: That our thanks are due the brethren, sisters and citizens of this coummunity for their kind hospitality in supporting this association. Adopted.

On motion, of C. F. Fields, adjourned to time and place of next Association. Prayer by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Benediction by Rev. G. C. Woodruff.

SUNDAY, 9:30 A. M., NOV. 3, 1895.

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Association met in Sunday School mass-meeting. Songs: "Unclouded Day," "Everlasting Arms." Scripture Lesson read by J. S. Kilby. Prayer by Rev. John Jolly.

DISCUSSION.

The origin of the Sunday School by Prof. E. L. Wagoner and Rev. G. M. Burcham. Influence of the Sunday School on the neighborhood by J. A. McCann.

Congregation assembled for preaching. Song: "There is a fountain." Scripture Lesson read by Rev. J. W. Burchett. Prayer by Rev. Wooten. Songs: "What shall our record be," "Am I a soldier of the cross." An interesting sermon, by Rev. J. W. Burchett, Text, Luke 10: 25; to a very large congregation. Prayer by B. F. Rollins. Song; "Kingdom Coming." A collection for State Missions was taken amounting to $8.32. Song: "God be with you." Benediction by Rev. J. W. Burchett.

Congregation reassembled at 2 P. M., and listened to an interesting sermon by Rev. G. M. Burcham; Text, Romans, 12:1. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchett. Benediction by Rev. G. M. Burcham.

Thus ended another very pleasant and enjoyable session of the Elkin Association.

J. S. KILBY, MODERATOR.

J. A. McCANN, CLERK.

Treasurer's Statement For the Year 1895.

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Received from Finance Committee:

State Missions,	$13.15
Home and Foreign Missions,	8.66
Minister's Relief Board,	2.15
Orphanage,	2.60
Education,	3.00
For Printing Minutes,	16.59
Collections for State Missions, Sunday,	8.32
Total,	$54.47

Paid out:

State Missions,	$21.47
Home and Foreign Missions,	8.66
Minister's Relief Board,	2.15
Orphanage,	2.60
Education,	3.00
Postage, paper, and printing minutes,	11.59
Clerk's fees, as instructed,	5.00
Total,	$54 47

J. A. McCANN, TRESURER.

LIST OF MINISTERS.

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Adams, M. H.	Venable,	N. C.	Hughes, John	Byrd,	N. C.
Brown, J. W.	Absher,	"	Jolly, J. R.	Lomax,	"
Burch'm, G. M.	Elkin,	"	Kane, E. F.	Good Springs,	"
Burchett, J. W.	Traphill,	"	Melton, W. H.	Kapps Mills	"
Blevins, Cally,	Absher,	"	Myers, A. E.	Round Mt.	"
Caudill, J. J.	Dockery,	"	Myers, W. W.	"	"
Combs, W. J.	Traphill,	"	Myers, J. W.	"	"
Cothren, Grant,	Traphill,	"	Norton, J. H.	Venable,	"
Fields, C. F.	Elkin,	"	Roberts, D. J.	Cherry Lane,	"
Gwyn, E. N.	Elkin,	"	Settle, J. F.	Byrd,	"
Harris, Wm.	Kap's Mills	"	Williams, A. J.	Kapp's Mills,	"

Gentry, S. E. State Road, N. C.

Executive Board.

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J. S. Holbrook,	Traphill,	N. C.	J. I. Dimmitt,	Ronda	N. C.
J. A. McCann,	Roaring Gap,	"	B. F. Rollins,	Elkin,	"

W, W. Myers, Round Mt., N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	P. O.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	DELEGATES.	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dismis'd by Lett'r	Excluded	Died	Fellowship	Sabbath
Baptist Home,	Fair Plains	J N Brooks	T. C. Elledge	W B Elledge	0	0	0	5	0	4	8	4
Center,	Parks	J F Settle	W M McCann	W M McCann	1	1	0	7	2	0	20	1
Cool Spring	Elkin	C F Fields	Hiriam Settle	J M Gambill, J M Lyon, Hiram Settle	14	4	1	11	1	3	261	2
Elkin	Elkin	W R Bradshaw	C M King	L H Carter, Thos H Eidson, B F Rollins	5	8	0	3	0	0	88	4
Fishing Creek	Straw	M Walker	T B James	William Mastin	0	6	0	1	0	0	41	1
Gum Orchard	Kapp's Mills	A J Williams	J V Melton	J V Melton, A J Williams	2	0	0	3	1	1	75	3
Liberty Grove	Knotville	A T Pardew	W N Alexander	W N Alexander, E Bowles, G M Woodruff	12	2	0	16	2	2	69	4
Macedonia	Ronda	J W Burchett	J T Edwards	J I Dimmitt, J T Edwards, J A Poplin	6	4	0	4	0	2	63	3
Mt. Carmel	Cherry Lane	W J Combs	J M Jordan	C S McNight, G T Jordan	0	0	2	2	1	0	42	1
Mt Pisgah	Dockery	J J Caudill	R E Caudill	Jacob Staly	0	2	0	4	1	0	3[illegible]	1
Mt. Pleasant	State Road			Not represented	...	...	...	...	.	..	27	
Mulberry	Mulberry	J W Burchett	C P Gilliam	A P Myres, no report	...	...	...	...	..	..	10	
Poplar Springs	Chatham	S E Gentry	J F Burcham	J W Hix, Sanford Newman	7	0	0	0	2	0	50	3
Pleasant Home	Lomax	W W Myres	J N Burchett	J N Burchett, J M Byrd	4	1	0	1	0	0	78	4
Piney Grove	Absher	W J Combs J W Brown	R J Henderson	J J Caudill	0	2	0	5	0	0	30	4
River Side	Devotion	Wm. Harris	P H Caudill	J R Caudill, Levi McCann	0	3	0	4	3	1	25	3
Rock Creek	Round Mt	J R Jolly	I N Bauguss	A Brewer, I N Bauguss, J A Myres	0	3	0	5	1	0	107	2
Ronda	Ronda	W R Bradshaw	E A Womble	J M Dobbins, E A Womble	2	14	0	0	1	1	26	4
Roaring Gap	Parks	J W Burchett	C C Gentry	J A McCann	0	2	0	0	0	0	16	1
Shoaly Branch,	Ozark	C F Fields	J C Spence	J C Spence, G W Gilliam	8	0	0	2	0	1	53	3
Traphill	Traphill	J W Burchett	T C Deborde	J S Kilby J S Holbrook, T C Deborde	12	2	0	13	1	0	107	1
Union Cross	Venable	W H Melton	C C Holyfield	Charlie Dobbins	26	5	0	3	0	1	57	4
White Plains	Roaring River	G M Burcham	S J Greenwood	S J Greenwood, W F Alexander, W S Edwards	0	0	1	6	3	2	53	1
South Fork	Good Springs	W H Melton	A J Combs	A J Combs	0	...	...	..	..	..	9	2
(Churches not represented or report sent, Statistics taken from minutes of 1891.)				Totals	99	59	4	96	19	18	1314	

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

1896.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Eighteenth Annual Session,

—OF THE—

Elkin Baptist ASSOCIATION,

—HELD WITH—

Union Cross Baptist Church, Venable, N. C.,

Sept. 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 1896.

C. F. Fields, Moderator, Elkin, N. C.
J. A. McCann, Clerk, Roaring Gap, N. C

The next session of this Association will be held with Cool Spring Baptist Church, 5 miles north-west of Elkin, N. C.—commencing on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in Sept., 1897.

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LIST OF MINISTERS

Brown, J. W.	Abshers	N. C.
Burcham, G. M.	Elkin	N. C.
Burchett, J. W	Traphill	N. C.
Caudill, J. J	Dockery	N. C.
Combs, W. J.	Traphill	N. C.
Cothren, Grant	Traphill	N. C.
Fields, C. F.	Elkin	N. C.
Gentry, S. E.	Dobson	N. C.
Harris, Wm	Kapps Mill	N. C.
Hughes. John	Byrd	N. C.
Jolly, J. R.	Lomax	N. C.
Melton, W. H	Kapps Mill	N. C.
Myers, A. E	Round Mountain	N. C.
Myers, W. W	Round Mountain	N. C.
Myers, J. W	Round Mountain	N. C.
Roberts, D. J	Cherry Lane.	N. C.
Rollins, B. F	Elkin	N. C.
Settle, J. F	Byrd	N. C.
Williams, A. J	Kapps Mill	N. C.

The churches having failed to give the names of all the ministers, this list may be incomplete.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. S. Kilby	Traphill	N. C.
J. W. Burchett	Traphill	N. C.
J. I. Dimmette	Dimmette	N. C.
B. F. Rollins	Elkin	N. C.
J. W. Myers	Round Mountain	N. C.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1896.

Received from Finance Committee:

Minute Funds	$17.81.

Paid out:

Printing Minutes	$12.81
Clerk's Fees	5.00
Total	$17.81

PROCEEDINGS.

Thursday, 12 M., Sept. 24, 1896.

The Eighteenth Annual Session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Union Cross Baptist Church, Venable, N. C. Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. Jno. W. Myers. Text: 1st Cor., 12:27.

INTERMISSION.

Association re-assembled. Song: "Toiling for Jesus." Scripture lesson read by Rev. C. F. Fields. Prayer by Rev. E. J. Adams. Song: "Marching in the Light."

The association was called to order by the Clerk.

The moderator being absent, on motion, elected Rev. C, F. Fields, Moderator, PRO-TEM.

Letters from the different churches were presented and read.

On motion, opened the door of the association for newly constituted churches. Dehart and New Light, Baptist churches, presented letters and were received, and the Moderator extended the hand of welcome to the delegates.

ORGANIZATION.

On motion, proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The Moderator requested Rev. J. H. Lewellyn and Bro. J. G. Burrus to act as tellers, who reported as follows:

Rev. C. F. Fields. Moderator, and J. A. McCann, Clerk.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

From Yadkin Association—Revs. J. H. Lewellyn, W, B. Castevens, E. J. Adams, A. Davis, R. P. Corum, and Bro. J. G. Burrus.

From Brushy Mountain Association—Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

From Ashe and Alleghany Association—Prof. E. L. Wagoner.

COMMITTEES.

On motion, the Moderator appointed the following Committees:

Arrangements—Rev. Jno. W. Myers, and Bros. G. M. Woodruff, T. C. Deborde, G. C. Poplin, H. F. Carter, with Moderator and Clerk.

Finance—J. W. Hicks and J. M. Lyon.

Religious Exercises—J. J. Reede, with pastor and delegates of Union Cross church.

Time, Place and Preacher—R. L. Walls and W. H. Johnson.

Nominating Committee—R. J. Henderson, J. N. Burchett and J. V. Melton.

Digest of Church Letters—B. F. Rollins and Grant Cothren.

The following committees were appointed to fill the places of those who were appointed last association and who failed to attend this year:

Temperance—E. J. Adams.

Education—J. G. Burrus and E. L. Wagoner.

State Missions—Rev. J. H. Lewellyn and J. G. Burrus.

Home and Foreign Missions—Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

Orphanage—Revs. W. B. Castevens and W. H. Melton.

Periodicals—Revs. A. J. Williams and R. P. Corum.

CORRESPONDENTS APPOINTED.

On motion, appointed correspondents to attend associations and conventions, as follows:

Ashe and Alleghany Association—John Jolly and W. H. Johnson.

Brier Creek Association—Jno. W. Myers.

Yadkin Association—C. F. Fields, J. A. McCann, W. H. Melton, I. L. Shugart and J. W Hicks.

Brushy Mountain Association—Grant Cothren, John Jolly and E. H. Parks.

New River Association—C. F. Fields and John Jolly.

Baptist State Convention—J. A. McCann and Grant Cothren.

Southern Baptist Convention—C. F. Fields, S. E. Gentry, B. F. Rollins and J. A. McCann.

PROGRAMME.

On motion, adopted the following Programme:

Meet at 9 A. M., adjourn at 11 A. M. for preaching, meet at 1 P. M., and adjourn at will. The Moderator requested Bro, J. G. Burrus to make a short talk on any subject he chose. Bro. Burrus discussed the subject of Temperance in a very interesting way for a few minutes.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

The committee on Religious Exercises report as follows.

To preach Thursday night, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

To preach Friday, 11 A. M., Rev. J. H. Lewellyn.

On motion, adjourn to 9 A. M., Friday. Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw. Song: "Blest be the tie that binds." Benediction by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn. Adjourned.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw preached an able sermon to a very attentive congregation. Text: 1st Cor., 15:58.

MORNING SESSION.

Friday, 9 A. M., Sept. 25, 1896.

Association met. Song: "Life's Railway to Heaven." Rev. C. F. Fields read the 19th Psalm. Prayer by Bro. J. C. Caddell. Song: "Toiling for Jesus."

Bro. J C. Caddell made a few very appropriate remarks on Scripture Lesson.

The association was called to order by the Moderator.

Report of committee on Arrangements read and adopted.

Called roll of delegates.

Preceeding minutes read and adopted.

Constitution and Rules of Decorum read.

On motion, the association indorsed the Presbytery recommended by the Elkin Baptist church, to ordain B. F. Rollins to the work of the gospel ministery. The Presbytery recommended was Revs. O. L. Stringfield, J. H. Lewellyn, C. F. Fields and W. B. Castevens.

MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

The committee on Aged Ministers submit the follow-

ing report:

We are glad to notice that churches in the State are becoming more and more in sympathy with our Ministers Relief Board. The aged, infirm and worn out preachers of the Lord's gospel ought to be cared for by the Lord's people. We ask the churches of the Elkin Association, at some time during the year, to take a collection for these "Old Soldiers of the Cross," who are no longer able to preach, but must look to us for something to feed their hunger and clothe their nakedness.

Send contributions to W. C. Tyre, Durham, N. C.

GRANT COTHREN, C. S. DOBINS, } Com.

Discussion by J. G. Burrus, I. L. Shugart, Grant Cothren, E. L. Wagoner, J. V. Melton, J. B. Snow, J. W. Hicks, A. J. Williams, J. C. Caddell and E. J. Adams.

The delegates from the different churches promised to try to raise the following amounts for the Aged Ministers:

Baptist Home	$1.00	Piney Grove	$1.00
Center	1.00	River Side	1.00
Cool Springs	10.00	Rock Creek	1.00
Dehart	1.00	Ronda	1.00
Elkin	5.00	Roaring Gap	2.00
Fishing Creek	1.00	Shoaly Branch	1.00
Gum Orchard	5.00	Traphill	10.00
Liberty Grove	1.00	Union Cross	2.00
Poplar Springs	2.00	South Fork	.50
Pleasant Home	2.00	New Light	3.00

Total amount $51.50

Report adopted.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

J. C. Caddell, representative of the Biblical Recorder, and F. T. Lewellyn, D. D. McKaughan and J. T. Haymore, from the Yadkin Association.

ORPHANAGE.

Report of committee read by W. B. Castevens.

OUR ORPHANAGE AT THOMASVILLE.

We have now in this Institute 144 children who are entirely dependent on the contributions of our churches for their food and clothing. These are the children of our dead brethren and sisters, and every Baptist in the State ought to feel it a privilege, as well as a duty, to contribute to their support. We recommend that all the churches pledge to do more than they have heretofore done and that each Sunday School in the association take one collection a month for this object.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. MELTON,
W. B. CASTEVENS, } Com.

Discussion by W. H. Melton, W. B. Castevens and J. C. Caddell.

A collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to $3.77.

The delegates from the different churches promised to try to raise the following amounts for the Orphanage:

Baptist Home	$1.00	Ronda	$1.00
Cool Springs	5.00	Roaring Gap	1.00
Elkin	6.00	Traphill	2.00
Gum Orchard	3.00	Union Cross	1.00
Pleasant Home	1.00	White Plains	.50
Macedonia	2.00	South Fork	.50
Poplar Springs	.50	Dehart	1.00
		New Light	2.00

Total amount $27.50

Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Song: "Battle Hymn." Prayer by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn.

An able sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn. Text: Luke, 13:6–9.

INTERMISSION

EVENING SESSION.

Association re-assembled at 1 P. M. Music by the congregation. Prayer by Rev. W. B. Castevens.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Rev. O. L. Stringfield, representative of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Female University. Rev. J. E. White, correspoding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention.

PERIODICALS.

Report on Periodicals read by A. J. Williams: We, the committee on Periodicals, submit the following report:

We are living in the reading age of the world and our land is being flooded with poisonous literature published by infidels, and we want our people to read something sound.

We recommend the Bible as the best of all books.

We recommend all of our religious literature, the Biblical Recorder, the North Carolina Baptist, and Charity and Children—the organ of our orphanage.

A. J. WILLIAMS, } Com.
R. P. CORUM, }

Discussed by J. C. Caddell.

Report adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is at the bottom of all our other interests. It is the work of giving the Gospel thoroughly to North Carolina.

It opens up the destitute places, the neglected points to the light and influence of our enlightened christianity.

It makes way for education, for Foreign and Home Missions, for the Orphanage, and for all the objects of our Convention.

To us State Missions means, "one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism," for all the people of North Carolina.

In prosecution of this great work, we have this year, 94 missionaries at work at about 450 mission points in the State.

God has richly poured out His blessings upon their labors. The Board directed by the Convention has appropriated $15000 to the work this year. Less than $5000, has up to this time been acknowledged in the Recorder. Your Committee would urge upon the Elkin Association that the obligation to assist in this work rests upon us.

According to the Church Letters only 15 of our churches contributed to this work this year. The fault lies somewhere.

Will not every pastor lay before his churches the

work of State Missions?

Will not every one of our churches be aroused to the great need which exists in the State for the Gospel.

J. H LEWELLYN,
J. G. BURRUS, } Com.
JNO. E. WHITE,

Discussion by Jno. E. White, J. T. Byrd, Grant Cothren, B. F. Rollins, W. R. Bradshaw, and J. L. Shugart.

The delegates from the different churches promise to try to raise the following amounts for State Missions:

Baptist Home	$1.00	Piney Grove	$1.00
Center	1.00	River Side	1.00
Cool Spring	1.00	Rock Creek	1.00
Dehart	1.00	Roaring Gap	2.00
Elkin	12.00	Shoaly Branch	1.00
Fishing Creek	1.00	Traphill	10.00
Gum Orchard	1.00	Union Cross	1.00
Macedonia	9.75	White Plains	1.00
Poplar Springs	1.00	South Fork	1.00
Pleasant Home	1.00	New Light	5.00

Total.....$54.25.

Report adopted.

TIME, PLACE, PREACHER.

We, your committee on Time, Place and Preacher, beg leave to report as follows:

Time, Thursday before the 4th Sunday in Sept., 1897. Place, Cool Spring church, 5 miles North-west of Elkin, N. C. Preacher, Grant Cothren, Alternate, S. E. Gentry.

R. L. WALLS,
W. H. JOHNSON, } Com.

Report adopted.

SPECIAL CHANGES.

Your committee on "Special Changes," beg leave to report the following:

By careful investigation we find no special changes in the bounds of our association.

T. C. DEBORE,
J. W. HICKS, } Com.

Report adopted.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported as follows:

To preach Friday night, Rev. Jno. Jolly. To preach Saturday at 11 A. M., Rev. Jno. E. White.

On motion, adjourn. Prayer by Rev. Jno. E. White. Song: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." Benediction by Rev. E. J. Adams. Adjourned.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Rev. John Jolly preached an interesting serman to a very attentive congregation. Text: James, 3:17.

MORNING SESSION.

Saturday, 9 A. M., Sept. 26, 1896.

Association met. Music by congregation. Bro. J. G. Burrus read 12th Chapter of Romans. Prayer by Rev. Wm. Harris. Song: "Jesus will welcome me home."

Association called to order by the Moderator.

Preceeding minutes read and adopted.

TREASTRER'S REPORT.

Received from the Finance Committee for the year 1895:

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Total	$54.47

J. A. McCann, Treas.

Report adopted.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Rev. K. Thompson and Bro. T. R. Minish of the Yadkin Association.

PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION.

The word Pastor means Shepherd. His business is to watch over his flock for their good. He should be a man called of God and qualified by the indwelling of the Holy Ghost, by a sufficient knowledge of the Bible and other helps.

The office of the Pastor is of paramount importance, because the prosperity of the Church depends largely upon Pastor. He should be prompt to his appointments, and should, especially, visit the sick of the community and the different families of his church members in love and sympathy. It is the duty of the church to administer to the necessities of the pastor as it is ordained that "They that preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel."

J. N. BURCHETT, } Com.
G. M. WOODRUFF, }

Discussed by J. C. Caddell.

Report adopted.

EDUCATION.

The Education of Ministers.—One of the first objects of the Baptist State Convention was the education of the young Baptist preachers who were unable to pay their own expenses while at college.

The great number of good and useful men who are now filling pulpits in this and in other states is the best evidence of the wisdom of our brethren for the establishment of the Board of Education at Wake Forest College. Let us aid it by our prayers and contributions so that it may be able to do yet larger work in the future, in preparing more young men for their God given work in the world.

Wake Forest College.—No human agency has done so much to elevate and develop the Baptist in North Carolina as has Wake Forest College. We would remind every Baptist in our State that he has a property right in this excellent Institution, and ought to share in its support and to rejoice in its prosperity.

Academies.—We believe that every Association in the State ought to have a well equipped Acadamy in its bounds for the proper training of the children of our brethren. Many of our associations have these schools and others are being established. We would recom mend Traphill Institute as worthy the liberal support of the members of this association.

College for Women.—We are now erecting in Raleigh a magnificent building for the education of onr girls; already a large amount has been paid on this enterprise and we would urge that all of our people, who are able, take part in the completion of this work which will be a blessing to our homes to our State and to the world

J. G. BURRUS,
E. L. WAGONER, } Com.
J. A. McCANN

Discussed by O. L. Stringfield.

Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Songs: "I am waiting," "At the Savior's right hand," "What shall our record be." Prayer by Bro. J. G. Burrus.

Rev. Jno. E. White read for Scripture lesson, "Paul's Prayer," Eph., 3.

Prayer by Rev. Jno. E. White.

Rev. Jno. E. White preached a very able and forcible sermon on "Christian Opportunities." Text: 1st Cor., 16:8-9. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn.

INTERMISSION.

EVENING SESSION.

Association re-assembled at 1 P. M. Music by the congregation. Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

FINANCE REPORT. CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Home and Foreign Missions.	Minister's Relief Board.	Orphanage.	Education.	Total for all Objects.
Baptist Home....	$ .40	$6.50	$	$	$ .50	$	$7.40
Center.....	.55						.55
Cool Spring	1.72	7.60			3.20		12.52
Dehart.....	1.05	.50					1.55
Elkin.....	1.50	12.50	9.46		6.00	1.60	31.06
Fishing Creek....	.60						.60
Gum Orchard....	.60			.25	.20		1.05
Liberty Grove...	.70	4.45					5.15
Macedonia.....	.90	9.75	1.21		3.00		14.86
Mt. Carmel.....							
Mt. Pisgah.....	.40	1.10					1.50
Mt. Pleasant.....	.40						.40
New Light.	.40						.40
Poplar Springs...	.70	1.50					2.20
Pleasant Home...	.70	4.00					4.70
Piney Grove.....	.50	1.01					1.51
River Side.	.55						.55
Rock Creek.....	.90						.90
Ronda.....	.55						.55
Roaring Gap....	.70	3.00					3.70
Shoaly Branch...	.60	2.50					3.10
South Fork.....	.25						.25
Traphill.....	1.14	19.53	2.03	1.29	2.82		26.81
Union Cross.. ...	1.00	2.50					3.50
White Plains.....	1.30	60					1.90
Total.....	18.11	77.04	12.70	1.54	15.72	1.60	126.71

Amount of collection for Orphanage	$ 3.77
Am't contributed by the churches for all objects	126.71
Total	$130.48
Paid out by the churches for the different objects	$103.44
P'd to Rev. Jno. E. White for the different objects	9.24
Paid to Treasurer	17.81
Total	$130.48

J. W. HICKS, J. M. LYON, } Com.

Report adopted.

The amounts were paid over by the churches before the association.

CLERK INSTRUCTED.

On motion, instructed the Clerk to reserve five dollars for his services and expend the balance of minute funds for printing minutes.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

The Nominating Committee report J. S. Kilby, J. I. Dimmette, B. F. Rollins, J. W. Burchett and J. W. Myers, Executive Committee for the ensuing year.

R. J. HENDERSON, J. N. BURCHETT, J. V. MELTON, } Com.

Report adopted.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Home Missions includes giving the Gospel to the negro, the indian, the foreign population, and the Islands of Cuba. There are now over 300 men of God employed by the Home Mission Board, who are giving their whole time, laboring among these unfortunate ones, preaching the Gospel; and God is wonderfully blessing their labors. Souls are being converted, churches are being built, and the cause of our Master is being built up. Brethren, let's come to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

Foreign Missions embraces China, Japan, Africa, Brazil, Mexico and Italy. The Foreign Mission Board

has over one hundred missionaries, besides a number of native assistants, in their employ preaching to these destitute ones, and the Master is blessing their labors abundantly. There are some churches on these fields and one association in China. Brethren, this work calls loudly to us for help. Let us not neglect our duty along this line.

C. F. FIELDS,
W. R. BRADSHAW, } Com.

Discussed by W. R. Bradshaw.

Report adopted.

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee recommend Temperance in all things right and useful, and total abstinence from all things wrong and hurtful. Viewing, as we do, with alarm and astonishment, the great havoc that intemperance is making on the youths of our country, the debauchery and crime into which so many of the youths are drifting, we would recommend that the ministers of our association first practice and then preach total abstinence from the unnecessary use of all intoxicants. So long as our ministers, church officers and leading members indulge in the use of intoxicants as a beverage (?) we need not expect anything better of the commonality of our youths. It is said, "If you will let whiskey alone, it will let you alone;" but this assertion is not true.

J. V. MELTON,
E. J. ADAMS, } Com.

Discussion by I. L. Shugart and Rev. O. L. Stringfield.

Song: "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Report adopted.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Received by Baptism	94	Dismissed by Letter	44
Received by Letter	49	Excluded	15
Received by Restoration	11	Died	13
Total	154	Total	72

Gain ..... 82.

State Missions	77.04
Orphanage	18.32
Home and Foreign Missions	4.70
Ministers' Relief Board	1.29
Education	1.60
Church Building	1148.42
Pastors' Salary	250.57
Total	1501.94

B. F. ROLLINS, GRANT COTHREN, } Com.

Report adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee during the last twelve months have visited nearly all the churches of this association and have presented the pressing cause of mission work in certain parts of the association. We have collected and paid to Rev. Grant Cothren, our missionary, the sum of $77.04. We think the people are waking up to their duty along this line.

The following is the work reported by Bro. Cothren this year.

Miles Traveled	1237
Sermons	105
Sunday School Lectures	15
Other Addresses	72
Religious Visits	315
Prayer Meetings	9
Baptized	49
Protracted Meetings	5
Churches Organized	1
Professions	73

B. F. ROLLINS, for the Committee.

Report adopted,

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That our thanks are due the brethren, sisters and citizens of this community for their kind hospitality in supporting this association. Adopted.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported Rev.

Grant Cothren to preach Saturday night, and Rev. O. L. Stringfield to preach Sunday, 11 A. M.

On motion, adjourn to time and place of next session of this association. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn. Song: "Praise God." Benediction by Rev. K. Thompson. Adjourned.

SUNDAY.

Sept. 27, 1896.

Songs: "We shall wear a crown," "I want to be a worker."

ORDINATION.

The Presbytery, composed of Revs. J. H. Lewellyn, C. F. Fields, O. L. Stringfield and W. B. Castevens, recommended by the Elkin Baptist church, and indorsed by the association, met and organized by electing Rev. J. H. Lewellyn, Moderator, and Rev. W. B. Castevens, Clerk.

Services were opened by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn reading a Scripture lesson from Timothy and offering prayer.

Bro. B. F. Rollins was presented to the presbytery and after a thorough and satisfactory examination of the candidate by Rev. C. F. Fields, the presbytery was led in prayer by Rev. J. H. Lewellyn, then the laying on of hands.

Rev. O. L. Stringfield gave the charge and Rev. W. W. Castevens presented the Bible. Rev. J. H. Lewellyn, Moderator, declared the candidate Scripturally ordained and ready for the full duties of an ordained minister.

PREACHING.

A very large congregation assembled for preaching. Rev. O. L. Stringfield read the 27th chapter of Acts for a Scripture lesson. After which he preached a very able and interesting sermon to a very large and attentive audience. Text: Acts, 27:23, "For there stood by me this night the Angel of God, whose I am and whom I serve."

A collection for State Missions was taken, amounting to $5.34. Benediction by W. B. Castevens.

Thus ended one of the most enjoyable sessions of the Elkin Association.

Rev. C. F. Fields, Moderator.
J. A. McCann, Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	P. O.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Membership.	Sabbath.
Baptist Home	Fair Plains	Grant Cothren	W. B. Elledge	W. B. Elledge. J. J. Elledge. W. F. Myers	4	6	2				20	4
Center	Parks	J. F. Settle	W. M. McCann	J F Smith		2		2			25	1
Cool Spring	Elkin	C. F. Fields	Hiram Settle	J. W. Fields, R L. Walls, J. M. Lyon	17	3	1	8		1	284	2
Dehart	Dehart	Cothren and Myers	L. B. Myers	L. B. Myers, Z. S Myers	19	4	3	1		1	62	2
Elkin	Elkin	W. R. Bradshaw	J. E. Hampton	J. J. Reede B. F. Rollins. I. L. Shugart		2		1	1		88	4
Fishing Creek	Straw	M, Walker	I. P. Anderson	J. H. Colvard, I. P Anderson	1	1					43	1
Gum Orchard	Kapps Mill	C. F. Fields	J. V. Melton	A. Ellis. B J. Snow, J. V. Melton	2	4	1	1	1	1	79	3
Liberty Grove	Knotville	A. T. Pardue	W. N. Alexander	G M. Woodruff, A. P. Hix	5			6	1	1	66	4
Macedonia	Dimmette	J. W. Burchett	J. T. Edwards	G. C. Poplin, W. J. Settle	11	10		1	1		82	3
Mt. Carmel	Cher'y Lane		J. M. Jordan	Not represented							42	1
Mt. Pisgah	Dockery	J. W. Myers	F. Brewer					2			30	1
Mt. Pleasant	State Road		T. A. Chipman	T. A. Chipman, J. F. Johnson					1	1	21	4
New Light	Burcham	Grant Cothren	Hiram Privette	Hiram Privette, J. T. Byrd. R. E. Caudill	12						19	3
Poplar Springs	Chatham	G. M. Burcham	J. F. Burcham	J. W. Hicks. J. F. Burcham		4	1		2		53	2
Pleas'nt Home	Lomax	C. Blevens	J. N. Burchett	J. N. Burchett. J. M. Byrd	1	1		5	4		71	4
Piney Grove	Absher	Caudill and Brown	R. J. Henderson	R. J. Henderson	4			2			32	4
River Side	Devotion	Wm. Harris	P. H Caudill	P. H. Caudill, J, B. Pardue, Levi McCann	1	1					27	3
Rock Creek	Round Mt.	J R. Jolly	J. N. Bauguess	N. P. Myers	10		2	6		2	129	2
Ronda	Ronda	W. R. Bradshaw	E. A. Womble	T. C. Byrd		3			1	1	29	4
Roaring Gap	Parks	Grant Cothren	C. C. Gentry	J. M. McCann, J. D. McCann, R. M. Collins	1	5					22	1
Shoaly Branch	Ozark	G. M. Burcham	J. C. Spencer	H. F. Carter, J. A. Darnell, L. E. Spencer	2					1	56	3
South Fork	Kapps Mill	W. H. Melton	A. J. Combs	Henry Norman							9	2
Traphill	Traphill	J. W. Burchett	T. C. Deborde	T. C. Deborde, W. H. Johnson	3	2	1	2		1	110	1
Union Cross	Venable	W. H. Melton	C. C. Holyfield	C. C. Holyfield, T. A. Dobbins, B. W, Snow	1	1		2	2	2	53	4
White Plains	Roaring R'r	G M. Burcham	S. J. Greenwood	E. H. Parks.				5	1	1	47	1
				Totals	94	49	11	44	15	13	1499	

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ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1897.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

Nineteenth Annual Session

—OF THE—

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

—HELD WITH—

Cool Springs Baptist Church,

Near Elkin, N. C., Sept. 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1897

C. F. FIELDS, MODERATOR,.....Elkin, N. C.
C. P. BURCHETT, CLERK,.....Dimmette, N. C.

The next session of this Association will be held with Liberty Grove Baptist church, five and a half miles Northeast of North Wilkesboro, N. C., commencing on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1898.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. I. Dimmette,	Dimmette,	N. C.
G. G. Tucker,	Venable,	"
J. W. Bowles,	Elkin,	"
J. M. Dobbins,	Ronda,	"
A. C. Walls,	Elkin,	"

LIST OF MINISTERS.

Adams, N. H.,	Venable,	N. C.
Burchett, J. W.,	Ronda,	"
Brown, J. W.,	Dockery,	"
Burcham, G. M.,	Elkin,	"
Caudill, J. J.,	Dockery,	"
Cothren, Grant,	Traphill,	"
Fields, C. F.,	Elkin,	"
Gentry, S. E.,	Chatham,	"
Harris, Wm.,	Kapp's Mill,	"
Hughes, John,	Benham,	"
Jolly, J. R.,	Lomax,	"
Laffoon, W. J.,	Elkin,	"
Melton, W. H.,	Kapp's Mill,	"
Myers, W. W.,	Round Mountain,	"
Myers, A. E.,	Round Mountain,	"
Roberts, D. J.,	Cherry Lane,	"
Rollins, B. F.,	Elkin,	"
Settle, J. F.,	Dimmette,	"
Williams, A. J.,	Kapp's Mill,	"

This list may not be complete, as some of the churches failed to give names of ministers.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1897.

Received from Finance Committee

Minute Funds,	$15.50
State Missions,	5.65
Home and Foreign Missions,	11.40
Ministers' Relief Board,	1.25
Total,	$33.80

PAID OUT.

Printing Minutes,	$10 50
State Missions,	5.65
Home and Foreign Missions,	11.40
Ministers' Relief Board,	1.25
Clerk's Fees,	5.00
Total,	$33.80

PROCEEDINGS.

Thursday, 12 M., Sept. 23, 1897.

The nineteenth annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Cool Springs church, Elkin, N. C.

Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. Grant Cothren. Text: Luke, 10:2.

INTERMISSION.

Association re assembled.

Song:—"Sweet Hour of Prayer."

Scripture lesson read by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Prayer by Rev. J. R. Jolly.

The association was called to order by the Moderator. The Clerk being absent, Moderator called R. J. Henderson and C. P. Burchett to act as clerks, pro-tem.

Letters from the different churches were presented and read.

On motion, opened door of the association for newly constituted churches, when Pleasant Hill and Union Hill presented letters and were received. Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.

On motion, proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year; Profs. Allen Gentry and J. F. Bland acting as tellers, who reported, Rev. C. F. Fields, Moderator, and C. P. Burchett, Clerk.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

From Yadkin Association—Prof. J. F. Bland—Bro. N. B. Broughton, representing the Biblical Recorder, and Bro, Archibald Johnson, representing the Baptist Orphanage and Charity and Children.

Song:—"At the Savior's Right Hand,"

COMMITTEES.

On motion the Moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangements—Revs. G. M. Burcham, J. W. Burch-

ett, Grant Cothren and Brethren J. S. Poplin and T. C. Deborde.

Finance—A. C. Walls and J. W. Bowles.

Special Changes—T. C. Deborde and J. W. Burchett.

Religious Exercises—J. V. Melton, with pastor and delegates of Cool Springs church.

Digest of Church Letters—J. R. Jolly and W. M. McCann.

Temperance—J. W. Burchett and J. F. Burcham.

Education—C. P. Burchett and R. J. Henderson.

State Missions—S. E. Gentry and J. F. Settle.

Home and Foreign Missions—J. M. Gambill, J. F. Bland and W. R. Bradshaw.

Orphanage—G. M. Burcham, Archibald Johnson and C. C. Gentry.

Periodicals—N. B. Broughton and S. J. Burcham.

Time, Place and Preacher—J. W. Bowles and J. B. Henderson.

Nominating Committee—R. J. Henderson, J. R. Jolly and J. V. Melton.

Pastoral and Church Relations—S. E. Gentry and W. B. Elledge.

Ministers' Relief Board—E. H. Darnell and Edgar Johnson.

CORRESPONDENTS REPORTED.

Revs. C. F. Fields, J. R. Jolly, S. E. Gentry and Bro. J. V. Melton attended the Yadkin Association—Bro. J. T. Byrd attended the Brushy Mountain Association.

APPOINTED CORRESPONDENTS.

On motion, appointed correspondents to attend associations and conventions as follows:

Ashe and Alleghany Association—J. W. Burchett and J. F. Settle.

Brier Creek Association—G. M. Burcham and J. R. Jolly.

Brushy Mountain Association—C. F. Fields and Grant Cothren.

Yadkin Association—G. M. Burcham and C. F. Fields.

New River Association—J. W. Burchett, G. M. Burcham.

Baptist State Convention—Grant Cothren, J. W. Burchett.

Southern Baptist Convention—C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchett.

PROGRAMME.

On motion adopted the following programme: Meet at 9 a. m.: and adjourn at 11 a. m., for preaching. Meet at 1 p. m., and adjourn at will.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported as fol. lows: To preach Friday, 11 a. m., J. W. Burchett.

On motion adjourned 'till 9 a. m., Friday.

Prayer by Bro. N. B. Broughton.

Benedicton by Rev. S. E. Gentry.

MORNING SESSION.

Friday, 9, a. m., Sept. 24, 1897.

Asssociation met.

Song:—"Tell us something more,"

Scripture lesson read and explained by Bro. N. B. Broughton.

Prayer by Bro. Archibald Johnson.

Song:—"Stand up for Jesus."

Association was called to order by Moderator.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Rev. R. K. Johnson, of Ashe and Alleghany Association; Rev. W. R. Bradshaw; of Brushy Mouutain Association; Bro. D. L. Lomax, of Pedee Association.

Report of Committee of Arrangements read and adopted

Called roll of delegates.

Preceeding minutes read and adopted.

Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith read.

ORPHANAGE.

Report of committee on Orphanage read by C. C. Gentry.

Twelve years ago the Baptist of North Carolina opened this Orphanage at Thomasville.

The work it has done will not be comprehended this side of eternity. It is just now entering upon a wider field than ever. There

are one hundred and sixty children under its care at present—when the brethren furnish the means we will increase the number to two hundred. The larger number of children there this year will call for enlarged contributions on the part of the churches. We believe it is the will of the Lord that we go forward; we believe, also, that our brethren will joyfully sustain it. We would urge the churches to increase their contributions and their pledges, and we would renew the recommendation of last year, that our Sunday Schools take up a collection one Sunday in every month for the benefit of the Orphanage. The work depends entirely upon the churches. It has no other source of revenue than the loyalty of loving hearts.

G. M. BURCHAM,
C. C. GENTRY, } Com.
ARCHIBALD JOHNSON,

Discussion by Archibald Johnson, N. B. Broughton, W. R. Bradshaw.

A collection was taken for orphanage amounting to $4.72.

The delegates from the different churches promised to try to raise the following amounts for the Orphanage:

Baptist Home,	$1.00	Poplar Springs,	1 00
Center,	.50	Pleasant Home,	1.00
Cool Springs,	2.00	Pleasant Hill,	1.00
Dehart,	1,00	Piney Grove,	1.00
Elkin,	5.00	River Side,	1 00
Gum Orchard,	1.50	Ronda,	3.00
Liberty Grove,	.50	Roaring Gap,	1.00
Macedonia,	3.00	Traphill,	2.00
Mt. Carmel,	1 00	Union Hill,	.50
Mt. Pleasant,	1.00		
		Total amount,	$28.00

Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching.

Song:—"The orphan child."

Scripture lesson read by Rev. J. W. Burchett.

Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

Song:—"Standing on the promises."

Rev. J. W. Burchett preached an interesting sermon to large and attentive audience. Text, Matthew. 5:16.

Prayer by Bro Archibald Johnson.

Song:—"Tell us something more."

Intermission.

EVENING SESSION.

Association re-assembled at 1 p. m.

Music by congregation·
Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.
Song:—"Holy Spirit faithful guide.
Association called to order by moderator.

PERIODICALS.

Report on Periodicals was read by N. B. Broughton.

Your committee on Periodicals beg leave to report—recommending to the brethren of our churches that the time has come when we need to place a close guard upon the literature that finds its way into our homes. There is so much to poison the minds and hearts being scattered throughout the land, of a dangerous and hurtful character, that, unless we are careful about that which we and our children read, we shall find that a most hurtful influence has been exerted without our being aware of it. The tares will be sown while we sleep. As a sound, healthy, religious newspaper, we recommend the Biblical Recorder, the organ of the Baptists of North Carolina. For more than half a century this paper has been the faithful exponent of our principles, and to-day is stronger and better than ever. This paper should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina and we rejoice that the publishers have recently been enabled to reduce the subscription price to $1.50 a year. Your committee hopes that every delegate to this association will subscribe for the Biblical Recorder. We also recommend Charity and Children, published in the interest of Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville. The cause it represents is sufficient appeal to us all for its support, but the further fact that it is an able and interesting paper, and, that its columns are filled each week with pure and helpful reading, makes it all the more worthy of our patronage. We especially recommend it to our Sunday Schools, to whom they give special rates. The Foreign Mission Journal, published monthly, by the Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, Va., is a valuable medium of information and should be circulated in our churches. Price in clubs 25c. per annum. Our Home Field published monthly by the Home Mission Board at Atlanta, Ga., price 10c. per annum, is the medium of information for the work of Home Missions. It would be wise for each of our churches to subscribe for a number of copies and freely distribute them. Respectfully submitted,

S. J. BURCHAM, }
N. B. BROUGHTON, } Com.

Discussed by N. B. Broughton, C. F. Fields, John Hughes and Grant Cothren. Report adopted.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Rev. E. N. Gwyn and Bro. I. L. Carter, from Briar Creek Association.

Committee on Home and Foreign Missions reported. Report was read by Rev. Bradshaw.

Home Mission is givng the gospel to our people at home, the ne-

gro, the Indian, foreigners who come to our country and the Islands of Cuba. 391 missionaries are employed to work among these unfortunate ones, preaching the gospel and God is blessing them. About 10,807 souls were saved the past year. Brethren let us help these now.

Foreign Mission:—Upon no State in the Union is the call so loud to give the gospel to the world as from our own beloved State—N. C. More men have been called and have gone from North Carolina to foreign fields than any other State in the South. Such men as Bryan, Bostic, Herring, Green, Tatum and many others have gone to tell of Jesus' love among the heathen. Brethren, this work calls loudly to us for help. Jesus commands us to go and if we love Him we will go.

W. R. BRADSHAW,
J. M. GAMBILL, } Com.
J. F. BLAND,

Discussion by W. R. Bradshaw, E. N. Gwyn, J. W. Burchett and J. F. Bland.

The delegates from the different churches promise to try to raise the following amounts for Home and Foreign Missions:

Baptist Home,	$1.00	Pleasant Hill,	1.00
Center,	1.00	Poplar Springs,	1.00
Cool Spring,	5.00	Pleasant Home,	1.00
Elkin,	5.00	Piney Grove,	1.00
Gum Orchard,	1.00	Ronda,	1.00
Liberty Grove,	1.00	Roaring Gap,	1.00
Macedonia,	3.00	Shoaly Branch,	1.00
Mt. Carmel,	1.00	Traphill,	2.00
Mt. Pisgah,	1.00	Union Cross,	1.00
New Light,	1.00		
		Total,	$30.00

Report adopted.

SPECIAL CHANGES.

We, your Committee on Special Changes, beg leave to report the following: There has been one special change since our last Association. The Lord in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst one of the prominent lights of this Association, to-wit. Rev. William Jackson Combs, who died June 1, 1897, aged 78 years. Bro. Combs professed religion at an early age and lived a faithful member of the church for about 60 years. He was a minister of the gospel for about 52 years. In his death this Association sustains a great loss, but our loss is his eternal gain. The good accomplished by this aged father in Israel eternity alone can reveal. Though his tongue is silent in death, his influence will never die. He still lives in the hearts of the people. We recommend the life of this consecrated minister as a model for our young ministers and

brethren of this Association. Bro. Combs will never again join us in the public worship of God here below, yet we hope by the grace of God to join him in everlasting songs of praise around the throne of God above.

Smiling angels now surrounded him,
Troops resplendent fill the skies,
Glory shining all around him
While his happy spirit flies.

Soon with angels we'll be marching,
With bright glory on our brow,
Who will share our blissful portion
Who will love our Savior now?

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. BURCHETT, } Com.
T. C. DEBORDE,

Remarks by J. W. Burchett, G. M. Burcham and Jno. Hughes. Report adopted.

Committee on time, place and preacher reported the following:

Time, Thursday before the first Sunday in Oct. 1898. Place, Liberty Grove church, 5½ miles northeast of North Wilkesboro, N. C. Preacher, G. M. Burcham.

J. W. BOWLES, } Com.
J. B. HENDERSON,

Report adopted.

Nominating Committee report J. I. Dimmette. G. G. Tucker. A. C. Walls, J. M. Dobyns, J. W. Bowles, Executive Committee for the ensuing year.

R. J. HENDERSON, } Com.
J. R. JOLLY,
J. V. MELTON,

Report adopted.

The committee on religious exercises report as follows: Rev. R. K. Johnson to preach Friday night.

Prayed by Bro. N. B. Broughton.

Song:—"Happy spirits."

Benediction by Rev. E. N. Gwyn.

Adjourned.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Rev. R. K. Johnson preached an able sermon to a nice audience.

MORNING SESSION. SATURDAY, 9, A. M., SEPT. 25, 1897.

Scripture lesson read and prayer by Rev. E. N. Gwyn.

FINANCE REPORT.

We, your Committee on Finance beg leave to report the following:

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	State Missions.	Home, Foreign Missions.	Minister's Relief.	Orphanage.	Church Building.	Minute Fund.	Total for all objects.
Baptist Home,		7 00					30	7 30
Center							50	50
Cool Springs							1 25	1 25
Dehart		6 00					65	6 65
Elkin		3 25	4 00		4 25		1 05	12 55
Fishing Creek								
Gum Orchard		85		2 25	2 60		80	6 50
Liberty Grove				1 00			65	1 65
Macedonia	50 00	10 00	3 90	10 57	2 05		90	77 42
Mt. Carmel							50	50
Mt. Pisgah								
Mt. Pleasant							40	40
New Light		5 00		3 00	2 00			10 00
Poplar Springs					50		50	1 00
Pleasant Home	15 00	2 00		2 00	1 00		76	20 76
Piney Grove							25	25
Pleasant Hill						147 00	95	147 95
River Side							50	50
Rock Creek								
Ronda	45 00	5 00		2 50	5 00		65	58 15
Roaring Gap							63	63
Shoaly Branch		1 00		1 00			50	2 50
South Fork								
Traphill		21 50		10 00			75	32 25
Union Cross							55	55
Union Hill							20	20
White Plains		1 00			50		90	2 40
Total	110 00	56 60	7 90	32 32	17 90	147 00	15 50	391 86

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance begs leave to reccommend the following:

Temperance is the moderate use of anything that is for our good, and the abstinence from everything hurtful. As we see it the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits is an evil which has and is doing our churches a great deal of harm. For this reason we would heartily recommend that our churches require all their members to cleanse their hands from this dreadful evil.

J. W. BURCHETT, } Com.
J. F. BURCHAM. }

Discussed by J. W. Burchett, C. F. Fields, N. B. Broughton and J. W. Bowles, Report adopted.

A temperance song.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Dr. H K. Thompson, Prof. J. E. Johnson, Brethren James Flemming and M L. Woodhouse. from the Yadkin Association. Prof. E. L. Wagoner, from the Ashe and Alleghany Association.

Song:—"Message of the angels."

PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

The word "Pastor" means Shepherd. The Shepherd should care for his sheep and see that they are well fed and sheltered. It is not only the duty of the pastor to be prompt to attend his churches at each meeting, but he should visit the homes of his members, read a portion of God's word to them, have prayer with them, and instruct them in the way of righteousness.

The duty of the churches to the pastor is; to enable him to do his duty as mentioned above, by giving him of their means. "If we sow unto you spiritual things, is it a great thing if we reap carnal things?" It is ordained of God, that, "They that preach of the gospel should live of the gospel."

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. GENTRY, } Com.
W. B. ELLEDGE, }

Discussion by J. W. Burchett and E. N. Gwyn.

Report adopted.

Bro. N. B. Broughton made an excellent address on the "Possibilities of the Sunday School work."

Vocal solo:—"Where He leads I'll follow."

Intermission.

EVENING SESSION, 1, P. M.

Association re-assembled.

Song:—"Sweet bye and bye."

Prayer by Rev. R. K. Johnson.

Song:—"Oh! why not to-night."

EDUCATION.

Never before in the history of our country have so many people been striving for an educatton as are to-day. Our people are realizing that education is the only hope of our country. We as a denomination must educate if we expect to do good and prosper.

Other denominations educate their ministers, therefore, we recommend that our ministers educate themselves in order that they be more able to defend the doctrines of the Bible against erroneous doctrines, produced by man. We also advise that our brethren patronize our denominational schools. We recommend Traphill In-

stitute as a preparatory school. This school is owned and fostered by the Elkin Baptist Association. For a collegiate course we recommend Wake Forest College. which has educated so many young men who are now doing a wonderful work for the people of North Carolina and other parts of the world. Respectly submitted.

R. J. HENDERSON, } Com.
C. P. BURCHETT,

Remarks by C. P. Burchett, Prof. E. L. Wagoner, Prof. Thompson, I. L. Shugart, J. W. Burchett, John Hughes, Prof. R. B. Horn.

Report adopted.

MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

The Committee on Aged Ministers' Relief submits the following: We are glad to notice that churches in the State are becoming more and more in sympathy with our Ministers' Relief Board.

The aged, infirm, and worn out preachers of the Lord's gospel ought to be cared for by the Lord's people. We ask the churches of the Elkin Association, at some time during the year, to take a collection for these "Old Soldiers of the Cross," who are no longer able to preach, but must look to us for something to feed their hunger and clothe their nakedness, Send contributions to W. C. Tyra, Durham, N. C.

EDGAR JOHNSON, } Com.
E. H. DARNELL.

Remarks by C. F. Fields and G. M. Burcham,

The delegates from the different churches promised to try to raise the following amounts for aged ministers:

Baptist Home,	$1.50	Macedonia,	1.00
Center,	1.00	Mt. Pisgah,	1.00
Cool Springs,	5.00	New Light,	3.00
Dehart,	1.00	Ronda,	3 00
Elkin,	5.00	Shoaly Branch,	1.00
Gum Orchard,	1.00	Traphill,	3.00
Liberty Grove,	2.00	White Plains,	1.00
Poplar Springs,	1.00	Pleasant Hill,	1 00
Pleasant Home,	3 00		
		Total,	$33.50

Report adopted.

Song:—"Land of Beulah."

On motion the moderator to appoint a committtee to get up means for the aged ministers. The following names composed the committee: J. W. Dimmette, Dimmette, N. C., P. A. Lomax, Lomax, N. C.; L. J. Bray, Elkin, N.C.

CLERK INSTRUCTED.

On motion instructed the clerk to reserve five dollars

for his services and expend the remainder for printing minutes.

On motion empowered the clerk to write the following churches a letter of dismission for the purpose of constituting a new association, viz: New Light, Rock Creek, Mt. Pisgah, Piney Grove, also Traphill, Dehart on Friday and Mt. Carmel when requested.

On motion Moderator appointed the following Presbytery to organize a new association at Covenant church before the third Sunday in Nov. 1897.

REV. J. W. BURCHETT,
REV. S. E. GENTRY, } Presbytery.
REV. C. F. FIELDS.

STATE MISSIONS.

The gospel preached in its purity is not only the antidote for sin but the basis upon which mission work stands. All churches founded upon the New Testament, of a necessity do mission work. State Missions is of the most importance of all our mission work. We should first give the gospel to our own people and then it will not be so difficult to get the people to know what their duty is. We recommend this christian enterprise as being entitled to all of our prayers, supplications and liberalities. "The Lord loves a cheerful giver." Let us do more for State Missions this year than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,
S. E. GENTRY, } Com.
J. F. SETTLE,

The delegates from the different churches promised to try to raise the following amounts for State Missions:

Baptist Home,	.50	Mt. Carmel,	1,00
Cool Springs,	2.00	Mt. Pisgah,	1.00
Dehart,	1.00	Traphill,	20.00
Elkin,	5.00		
Macedonia,	5.00	Total,	$35.50

Report adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee report as follows: Met and arranged by electing J. S. Kilby, chairman and J. I. Dimmette, Sec., and employed Revs, Grant Cothren and B. F. Rollins as missionaries. We have collected $55.60 since our organization. Some of the churches have given very liberally, while others have done comparatively nothing. Our missionaries have done a good work, but we are unable to give a correct report of all their work for lack of

report from them.

Respectfully submitted,
J. I. DIMMETTE, Sec. for Ex. Com.

Report adopted,

DIGEST GF CHURCH LETTERS.

Rec'd by Baptism	134	Lismissed by Lettter	75
Rec'd by Letter,	59	Excluded,	9
Rec'd by Restoration,	7	Died,	14
Total,	2.00	Total,	98
	Gain, 102		

J. R. JOLLY,
W. M. McCANN. } Com.

Report adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, that our thanks are due the brethren, sisters and citizens of this community for their kind hospitality in supporting this association,

Adopted.

On motion instructed clerk to have the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith printed in connection with the minutes of this session of the association.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

The committee on Religious Exercises reported Rev. J. R. Jolly to preach Saturday night and Rev, G. M. Burcham to preach Snnday at 11 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchett.

Benediction by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Rev. J. R. Jolly preached an interesting sermon to a large audience. Text, Matt. 7:21.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 26, 1897.

Songs:—"We'll work 'till Jesus comes." "Lead me gently home, Father."

Prayer by W. J. Laffoon.

A collection was taken for the erection of a monument over the grave of Rev. W. J. Combs, amounting to $7.75.

PREACHING.

At 11 a. m., Rev. G. M. Burcham occupied the pulpit and preached an able sermon to a large audience. Text: Rev. 2:17.

It was requested that Rev. J. W. Burchett preach in the grove. A large crowd gathered in the grove and listened attentively to an interesting sermon. Text, Acts, 9:6. "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?" There was a liberal contribution given for Home and Foreign Missions, which amounted to $5.40.

Intermission.

At 1, p. m. the house was filled to the utmost, Rev. W. M. Beamer preached an instructive sermon. Text, Amos, 4:12 "Prepare to meet thy God."

Benediction by Rev. W. M. Beamer.

Thus ended one of the most pleasant sessions of the Elkin Association, REV. C. F. FIELDS, Moderator.
C. P. BURCHETT, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. This Association shall be known as the Elkin Baptist Association and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches; each church being entitled to three delegates and all regular ordained ministers as members ex officio.

2d. The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom upon earth,

3d. The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church, a letter certifying their appointments, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof.

4th. The Assoctation just formed shall chose by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall continue in office for one year and until others are chosen. The last two offices may be held by the same individual,

5th. It shall be the duty of the moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each sesion; to decide questions of order subject to an appeal of the house by any member, and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

6th. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceedings of each session of the Association; to transcribe them in a book kept for the purpose, and to perform other duty assigned to him by the Association.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all the funds coming into his hands and to report the same at the order of the Association.

8th. There shall be a committee of arrangements consisting of five members, besides the Moderator and Clerk,

9th. All letters or grievances or queries, together with all letters

from corresponding associations requiring any attention thereon shall be submitted to the Committee on Arrangements, and reported back to the Association.

10th. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage, but shall only be considered as advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulations of the churches.

11th. When an offence may have been committed by one church against another, or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the Association (after due labors have been had between the offending and offended churches,, or an individual church, as the case may be, to take the matter into consideration, and advise upon it.

12th. The Association shall not maintain permnanent fellowship towards any of her churches wlth neglect to institute and preserve Gospel order among their members, nor any of her churches or ministers that treat her constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence, such as promote Gospel principles and order.

13th. It shall be the province of this Associatiou to invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

14th. The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constitution) be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the association, except in extraordinary cases.

15th. Each church having an ordained or a licensed minister shall report the same to the Assocciasion in order that they shall appear as such on the face of the minutes.

16th. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of her proceedings; and it shall be the duty of the churches to enable her to do so.

17th. The Association shall have a fund created and sustained by voluntary contribution from the churches, which shall be held by the Treasurer and subject to the disposition of a majority of the Association present at any annual session.

18th. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place as the body may, from time to time, designate.

19th. By appointment of the Association, there may be an Introductory, a Missionary and a Denominational sermon preached at each annual session.

20th. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, two-thirds of the members present, concurring.

21st. The benevolent institutions of the day shall be no bar or test of fellowship, but all shall be free to sustain or not sustain as they choose.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. The letters from the churches shall be read, and the names of the delegates enrolled.

3rd. A Moderator and Clerk chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

4th. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator; and while speaking, shall not

be interrupted by any member, except the Moderator.

5th. The member speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and use no words calculated to irritate.

6th. No member shall abruptly break off or absent himself, without leave of the Association.

7th. No member shall speak more than three times upon one subject, without leave of the Association.

8th. No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association, nor whispering in time of public speech.

9th. No member of the Association shall address another in any other appellation but that of brother.

10th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit him from speaking 'till he gives his light on the subject, unless he breaks this decorum.

11th. The names of the several members of the Association shall be called by the Clerk as often as the Association requires.

12th The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as another member, provided his seat be filled; and he shall have no vote, unless the Association be equally divided.

13th. Queries presented by the churches shall be attended to by the Association.

14th. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

15th. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the Association, as they shall think proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1st. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Words of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3rd. We believe in the doctrine of Election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will or ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit, and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God, shall never fall finally away.

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed Righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances; and we belleve the only true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked, will be eternal.

9th. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABME

CHURCHES.	P. O.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	DELEGATES.	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Diss'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Member'p.	Sabbath.
Baptist Home,	Fair Plains,	Grant Cothren,		W B Elledge,							20	4
Center,	Parks,	A J Williams,	W M McCann.	E Cockerham, J F Smith, W M McCann.	3	3		1		1	26	1
Cool Springs,	Benham.	C F Fields,	Hiram Settle,	J M Gambill, E H Darnall A C Walls.	9	2		22	2	4	267	2
Dehart,	Dehart,	Grant Ctohren,	L B Myers,	Z S Myers, U S Myers, E Handy.	14	23		7		1	71	2
Elkin,	Elkin,	W H Beamer,	J W Bowles,	Jas. Madison, C M King, J W Bowles.		13		7	1		97	4
Fishing Creek,												
Gum Orchard,	State Road.	C F Fields,	J V Melton,	F S Eldridge, J V Melton.	2						81	3
Liberty Grove,	Knottville,	J W Burchett,	WN Alexander	G M Woodruff, A P Hix, John Bowles.	6			5			63	4
Macedonia,	Dimmette,	J W Burchett,	J T Edwards,	J S Poplin, J T Edwards, S M Burchett,	6	8		2	1	1	93	3
Mt. Carmel,	Cherry Lane,	J R Jolly,	J M Jordan,	G T Jordan.				2			34	1
Mt. Pisgah,	Dockery,	J W Brown,	F Brewer,	J D Myers, J O Brewer.	17	6		1		1	51	1
Mt. Pleasant,	State Road,	W J Laffoon,	T A Chippman,	T A Chippman.	4						24	4
New Light,	Lomax,	Grant Cothren,	Hiram Privett,	J T Byrd.	10	2		3	2		26	3
Poplar Springs,	Chatham,	G M Burcham,	J F Burcham,	J F Burcham.							53	2
Pleasant Hill,	Elkin,	T W Paris,	S J Burcham,	S J Burcham, E P Walls, J C Johnson.	1	8					19	3
Pleasant Home,	Lomax,	J F Settle,	J N Burchett,	T M Byrd, W M Jolly, W M Gentry.	1			3		1	64	4
Piney Grove,	Absher,	C C Blevins,	R J Henderson,	R J Henderson, J B Henderson.						1	28	4
River Side,	Devotion,	J R Jolly,	P H Caudill,	J B Pardue.				2			23	3
Rock Creek,	Round Mt.	W W Myres,	A Brewer,	I N Bauguess.								
Ronda,	Ronda.	J W Burchett,	E D Byrd,	J M Dobyns, P Shore, T C Bryd.	2	3		1			27	2
Roaring Gap,	Parks,	G M Burcham,	C C Gentry,	R M Collins, C C Gentry, A C Gentry.	5	1					28	2
Shoaly Branch,	Benham,	S E Gentry,	H F Carter,	J A Darnell, G W Gilliam, S A Johnson.	17	3		1		2	73	3
South Fork,												
Traphill,	Traphill,	J W Burchett,	T C Deborde,	T C DeBorde, Thomas Crabb.	10	5	1	8		1	117	1
Union Cross,	Venable,	W H Melton,	C C Holyfield,	C C Holyfield, T A Dobbins, B W Snow.	11		1	6	4		55	4
Union Hill,	Kapp's Mill,	R K Johnson,	F E Combs,	Tyre Cranford, K. H. Willmoth.	7						15	3
White Plains,	Roaring River,	G M Burcham,	S J Greenwood	E. H. Parks, Perry Byrd.	9	5	1	2		1	59	1
Total.....					134	61	6	73	10	14	1413	

MINUTES

OF

The Twentieth Annual Session

OF

THE ELKIN

Baptist Association held with Liberty Grove Baptist Church 5 and one half miles North East of North wilkesboro North Carolina, September 28 29 and 30, October 1, 1898.

C. F. FIELDS, Moderator,
ELKIN, N. C.
C. P. BURCHETTE, Clerk,
DEMMETTE, N. C.

The next session of this association will be held with Shoaly Branch Baptist Church near Ozark P. O. on "Big Elkin" about seven miles from its mouth, commencing on Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in Sept. 1899.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. I. Dimmette, Dimmette, N. C.
G. G. Tucker, Venable, "
J. W. Bowles, Elkin, "
J. M. Dobbins, Ronda, "
A C. Walls, Elkin, "

LIST OF MINISTERS

Adams N. H. Venable, N. C., Burchette J. W. Ronda, N. C., Burcham G. M. Elkin, N. C., Fields C. F. Elkin, N. C., Gentry S. E. Chatham, N. C., Hughes John, Benham, N. C., Jolly J. R. Lomax, N. C., Laffoon W. J. Elkin, N. C. Melton W. H. Kapps Mill, N. C., Myers W. W. Round Mountain, N. C., Myers A. E Round Mountain, N.C. Settle J. F. Dimmette, N. C., Smith J. F. Ozark, N.C., Williams A. J. Kapps Mill N. C.

Some of the churches failed to give the names of ordained ministers, therefore this list may be incomplete.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1898.

Received from finance Committee.		Paid out.	
Minute fund	$10.23	Printing Minutes etc.	$5.23.
Home and Foreign Missions	$7.94	Home & Foreign Missions	$7.94.
Orphanage	$5.24	Orphanage	$5.24.
Ministers Relief Board	$4.50.	Ministers Relief Board	$4.50.
		Clerks Fees	$5.00.
Total	$27. 91.	Total	$27.91.

PROCEEDINGS.

Thursday, 12 M. September 28, 1898.

The twentieth annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Liberty Grove church Knottville, N. C. Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. F. B. Cheek, Text, 2nd. cor.-5:14. Intermission.

Association reassembled. Song: The Gate ajar. Scripture lesson read by Rev. C. F. Fields 84 Psalm. Prayer by Brother J. W. Bowles-The association was called to order by the Moderator. Letters from the different churches were presented and read. On motion opened door of association for newly constituted churches. There being none it was moved and carried to go into election of officers for ensueing year. Moderator appointed Revs. W. R. Bradshaw and F. B. Cheek to act as tellers. The vote being partly taken it was suggested to make the vote unanimous. On motion of Brother J. W. Bowles the vote was taken and Rev. C. F. Fields and C. P. Burchette were elected by acclamation as Moderator and Clerk.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENCE.

Rev. F. B. Cheek of Alleghany & Grayson association, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Bro. D. R. Edwards, Bro. D. J. Eaton, Rev. I. T. Privette, of Brushy Mountain association, and Bro. R. J. Henderson of Stone Mountain association were wellcomed to seats with us.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDENTS.

Rev. C. F. Fields reported as being present at the organization of the Stone Mountain asssociation at Covenant church, Friday before 3rd Sunday in Nov. 1897. Bro. J. W. Bowles and C. P. Burchette attended the Yadkin association, Rev. J. R. Jolly attended the Ashe and Alleghany, Bros. Isom and J. N. Burchette attended the organization of Alleghany & Grayson association.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Bowles, Moderator appointed usual correspondence. Revs. C. F. Fields and J. R. Jolly, to Ashe association, Rev. G. M. Burcham and Bro. Frank Tharp, to Brier Creek, Bro. John Bowles and Rev. J. W. Burchette to Brushy Mountain, Rev. C. F. Fields and Bro. J. W. Bowles to Yadkin, Rev. J. W. Burchette to Alleghany and Grayson, Revs. W. W. Myers and J. R. Jolly to Stone Mt. association. Rev. C. F. Fields to Baptist State Convention, Rev. J. W. Burchette to South'n Bap't Con.

On motion of Bro. G. M. Woodruff, Moderator appointed the usual conmittee. Committee of arrangements, G. M. Woodruff, J. R. Jolly, W. N. Myers, F. S. Eldridge & J. I. Dimmette. Finance: A. C. Walls & J. W. Bowles. Special changes: E. R. Settle and J. C. Johnson. Religious Exercises: V. Wheatly with pastor and delegates of this church. Dijest of Church Letters: A. C. walls and J, R Jolly. Temperance: J. W. Burchette, E. Bowles. Education: C. P. Burchette, W. R. Bradshaw. State Missions: C. C. Gentry, I. T. Privette. Home & Foreign Missions: W. B. Ellege, D. R. Edwards. Orphanage: G. M. Burcham & F, B. Cheek. Periodicals: J. A. Burcham, D. J. Eaton. Time, Place & Preacher: G. M. Burcham, J. I. Dimmette, T. S. Eldridge. Pastor and church Relation: E. R. Settle, A. C. Gentry. Ministers Relief Board: D. F. Tharp, R. J. Henderson, G. G. Tucker. Nominating Committee: W. F. Edwards, J. R. Jolly, C. P. Burchette.

PROGRAMME.

On motion of C. P. Burchette, adopted the following programme: Meet at 9, A. M., and adjourn at 11, A. M., for preaching. Meet at 1, P. M., and adjourn at will.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Committee on Religious exercises reported, Rev. J. R. Jolly to preach to night at 7:30 P. M. On motion adjourned till 9, A. M. Friday. Prayer by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Benediction by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

Thursday night a nice crowd met at church and listened attentively to an able sermon by Rev. J. R. Jolly. Text Luke, 24. 24. Prayer by Rev. J. E. Johnson. Adjourned.

MORNING SESSION.

Friday 9:30, September 29, 2998,

Association met. Prayer and song service conducted by Brother D. J. Eaton. Association called to order by Moderator. Report of Committee of arrangements read and adopted—Called roll of Delegates. Preceding minutes read and adopted. Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of faith read. Moved and carried that Clerk procure a copy of the minutes of each annual session of the association and file in his office for future reference.

The program was taken up. Committee on Time, Place and Preacher reported the following: Time, Tuesday after fourth Sunday in Sept. 1899, Place, Shoaly Branch church on "Big Elkin" about seven miles from its mouth. Preacher, G. M. Burcham.

J. I. Dimmette
F. S. Eldredge } Committee.
G. M. Burcham

Report adopted.

PRESBYTERY REPORT.

C. F. Fields, S. E. Gentry and J. W. Burchette met at Covenant church on Nov. 19, 1897, and organized a new Association of 8 churches by the name of Stone Mt. Baptist Associatien.

Report adopted. Song: Golden Light. Recognized Correspondents. Rev. Grant Cothren, Bros. J. S. Kilby, T. C. Deboard and John Myers of Stone Mt. Association. Bro. J. T. Dobbins of Yadkin Association.

TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance begs leave to recommend the following:

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J. W. Burchette
E. Bowles } Committee

Discussed by Revs J. W. Burchette, J. E. Johnson, C. F. Fields and Bro. D. J. Eaton.

ADOPTED.

Preaching. Scripture Lesson read by Rev. J. E. Johnson. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields. Rev. J. E. Johnson preached a very impressive sermon. Text, Luke, 51:5. Song: How Firm a Foundation. Intermission.

EVENING SESSION.

Association reassembled at 1, P. M. Songs: Lord revive us and When I can read my Title clear. Prayer by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw. Song: Amazing Grace.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS.

Prof. R. B. Horn of Yadkin, and Bro. H. J. Steelman of Brushy Mountain Associations.

EDUCATION.

The committee on Education submit the following:

The Baptist people have always stood for Education. They believe in a free Bible and that every one should read the Bible for himself. They know that ignorance is an evil; that ignorant people are often decived by false teachers, as Mormons etc. In Wake Forest they have a great institution—the leading christian college in N. C. and the foremost Baptist College in the South. Out of it have come many noble preachers, many noble teachers, and many strong laymen who have made our denomination great and powerful. It is our pride that the influenc of Wake Forest College is felt throughout the world. Our fathers labored to build it. We must stand by it and sustain it. To-day it is doing its best work. It is educating about 36 young ministers to be preachers, and many to be teachers, lawyers, doctors, and it aims to make christians citizens of them all, and to make our cause more powerful everywhere.

W. R. Bradshaw } Com.
C. P. Burchette }

Remarks by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Rev. J. E. Johnson, Prof. R. B. Horn and C. P. Burchette.

The ditferent churches pledged the amounts opposite their names as follows:

Baptist Home .50, Cool Springs $2.00, Elkin $4.00, Fishing Creek .50, Liberty Grove .50, Macedonia $1.00, Poplar Springs .50, Pleasant Hill .50, Pleasant Home .50, Rock Creek $1.00, Roaring Gap $1.00, White Plains $2.00. Total $14.00. Adopted.

MINISTERS RELIEF BOARD.

The Committee on Ministers Relief submit the following report:

We deem it our indespensible duty as christians to support the aged and worn out Ministes of the Gospel, and we are glad to note that the churches are generally responding very liberally. Yet there are some that have fallen short of the amount which they have promised to raise. The amounts raised was $25 50. We recommend that the pastors of the churches urge their churches to get up the full amounts pledged. Send all donations to W. C. Tyre, Durham, N. C.

D. S. Sharp } Committee.
G. G. Tucker }

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields, J. R. Jolly, N. J. Steelman, W. R. Bradshaw.

The churches promised the following amounts opposite their names.

Baptist Home $1.00, Cool Springs $5.00, Elkin $5.00, Fishing Creek $1.00, Liberty Grove $1.00, Macedonia $3.00, Pleasant Home $3.00, Rock Creek $1.00, Ronda .50, Roaring Gap $1.00, White Plains $1.00. Total $22.50. Addopted,

SPECIAL CHANGES.

We your committee on Special Changes beg leave to report the followin special changes. There have been three special changes since our last aosociation. Bro. Davin L. Tharp was borned Dec. 25, 1820 and died Feb. 15, 1898. aged 77 years 1 month and 20 days. Bro. Tharp joined the Holly Springs Baptist church Iredell Co. in 1839 of which he lived a menber untill 1860. He then moved to Wilkes county and joined the White Plaians Baptist church of which he lived a menber till his death. He was a consistent menber and was a deacon of the same church for many years. Bro. Tharp will never more meet us in the association here on earth, but we hope by the grace of God to meet him in that great association above.

Bro. J. A. McCann, deacon of Roaring Gap Baptist church was borned Dec. 1, 1867. died July 6, 1898, aged 30 years 6 month and 15 days. He professed religion at the early age of ten; joined the church and lived a faithful menber of the same until his death. Bro. McCann was a good business man, He was twice clerk of this association and for several years he strongly advocated the cause of Temperance and Sunday Schools. We your committee feel that in the death of Bro. McCann that this assoiciation sustains a great loss; but, we beleive that our loss is his eternal gain.

Rev. R. W. Wooten was borned March 13, 1817 and died June 29, 1898 aged 81 years 4 months and 22 days. Bro. Wooten joined the church at Louis and lived a devoted christan man the remainder of his days. He proclaimed the word of God from the pulpit for over forty years. At the time of his death he was a menber of Ronda church and he leaves a vacant seat that can never be more worthilyfilled. He was a good neighbor loved by all, both saint and sinner. His name will remain a household word in Ronda the little village which he spent the later part of his life. Though "Uncle Dick" will never more counsel us here on earth, we can let his life serve as a model by which to live and when we fall asleep in death awake with him, with glad smiles from our dream The family, the church, the community and the Elkin Assoiation sustains a great loss in the death of Bro. Wooten, and we should all,

Let the life of this good man remind us,
We can make our lives sublime;
And deportment leave behind us,
Footprints on the sands of time

E. R. Settle } Committee
J. C. Johnson }

The committee on religious exercises reported as follows: Rev. J. W. Burchettee to preach to-night at 7:30.

Committee to nominate Executive committee reported the following names for Executive Committee for ensuing year, Viz., J. I. Dimmette, G. G. Tucker, J. W. Bowles, J. M. Dobbins and A. C. Walls.

J. R. Jolly }
W. H. Edwards } Comm'ttee.
C. P Burchette }

Addopted. Benediction by Bro. D. J. Eaton. Adjourned.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

A large crowd assembled at the church and engaged in Prayer and song service after which Rev. J. W. Burchette preached an interesting sermon. Text James, 3: 17. Prayer by Bro. D. J. Eaton—Song: Jesus Lover of my Soul. Benediction by Rev. J. W. Burchette.

Saturday morning Sept. 30, 1898.

Association met. Prayer and song service conducted by Rev. J. W. Burchette. Prayer by Rev. J. R. Jolly. Song: Oh For a Closer walk with God.

PASTORIAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

Your committee on Pastoral and church Relations report the following. The relations between the pastor and the church are very close. It is the duty of the pastor to promptly attend his church and look after the spiritual needs of the members and also to visit their homes and read a portion of God's word and instruct them in the way of Righteousness.

It is an indispensible duty of the church to be present at each meeting and assist the pastor in the public services and also to carefully look after the needs of the pastor and see that he does not suffer for the necessaries of this life:

It is ordained of God that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel.

E. R. Settle } Committee.
A. C. Gentry }

Remarks by Rev. J. E. Johnson, H. J. Steelman, F. B. Cheek, C. F. Fields, J. W. Burchette, J. I. Dimmette, J. M. Lyons. Adopted.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Received by Baptism	63	Dismissed by Letter	35
Received by Letter	41	Excluded	9
" " Restoration	5	Died	17
Total	109	Total	61

Gain 48. Respectfully submitted.

J. R. Jolly }
A. C. Walls } Com.

Adopted.

ORPHANAGE.

Fourteen years ago the Baptist of N. C. opened this Orphanage at Thomasville and it has been a home for fatherless and motherless children ever since and has now in its control 146 children, and by the help of the Lord and the liberality of the brethren the Supervisors aim to feed, clothe and train these little ones to usefulness in this life. The great wave of time has thrown these little sufferers on our hands to test our liberality. The Lord has said that "they that give to the poor loan to the Lord." Let this Association ever stand by the Baptist Orphanage of N. C. Let the churches of this Association take at least, one or two collections each year for the support of these little Orphans. God has said, "that the liberal soul shall be made fat" "Give and it shall be given you good measure." May the Lord bless the Orphanage and its helpers.

G. M. Burcham }
F. B. Cheek } Committee.

Remarks by F. B. Cheek, Prot. R. B. Horn, C.F. Fields.

The different churches pledged the following amounts. Baptist Home 1.00, Cool Springs 5.00, Elkin 5.00, Gum-Orchard 2.00 Liberty Grove 1.00, Macedonia 5.00, Pleasant Home 1.00, Pleasant Hill 1.00, Ronda 1.00, Rock Creek 1.00, Roaring Gap 2.00, Union Cross 1. 00, White Plains 1.00. Total, $27.00. Adopted.

A collection was taken for Orphanage amounting to $7.15.

Recognized Correspondents: Prof. E. L. Wagoner of Alleghany and Grayson Association.

Preaching—Song: When the Roll is called up yonder. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchette. Rev. F. B. Cheek preached an interesting sermon to a large and attentive. audiance. Song: Praise God from whom all blessings flow Benediction by Rev. I. T, Privette. Intermission.

Saturday evening, 1, P. M.

Association reassembled. Song: Open Gate. Prayer by Rev. J. E. Johnson.

PERIODICALS.

The increasing strength of our denomination makes it more and more necessary that our people should be better informed concerning every department of our work. We recognize the Biblical Recorder the able and efficient organ of our convention, the exponent of Baptist principals and Baptist progress as a necessity in every Baptist home. We heartily endorse Chairity and Children, the organ of the Orphanage and would urge that our brethren take this paper and become informed concerning the progress and needs of this work. We would also recommend the North Carolina Baptist as being worthy of a place in our homes.

J. A. Purcham } Committee.
D. J. Eaton }

Remarks by D. J. Eaton, J W. Burchette. Prof. E. L. Wagoner, J. E. Johnson and C. F. Fields Adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee report the following: Met and organized by electing J. I. Dimmette Chairman and G. G. Tucker Sec., and employed J. F. Settle as our Missionary. Bro. Settle took a great interest in the work for the short time he was on the Mission work.

He performed his duties as best he could until he was taken ill and was disabled to travel. We are not prepared to give a full report of all his work as he is not able to be present.

We have received for State Missions $18.32. A few of the churches have paid liberally while others have paid but very little. We recommend that the Deacons with pastor and Clerk of each church in this Association cooperate with the Executive Committee in raising funds for our Missionary that we may do more work in the future for the Mission cause.

J. I. Dimmette, Chm. Ex Committee.

Adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

The history of State Missions is virtually the rise and progress of N. C. Baptist reaching from the year of 1720 to the present time. It is a work so clearly in accordance with divine command with the Spirit of Jesus; and with the nobler impulses of the christian heart and life. that, it needs no argument to commend it to the sympathies of the Association. Since the State Board of Missions was organized our Missionaries have preached the Gospel all over 4000 destitute fields, and have organized at Mission points one third the whole number of Baptist churches in North Carolina. We are glad to report that we have 103 regular Missionaries preaching the gospel at over 300 destitute points which are in 56 different counties in N. C., and their labors are being wonderfully blessed and these workers must be supported by all giving small amounts. We would ask the pastors to recommend State Missions to all their churches. Respectfully submitted.

J. T. Frivette } Committee,
C. C. Gerley }

Remarks by J. I. Dimmette, J. E. Johnson, J. W. Burchette, H. J. Steelman, E. L. Wagoner and D. J. Eaton.

The churches pledged the following for State Missions.

Baptist Home 1.00, Cool Springs 3.00, Elkin 5.00, Fishing Creek 1.00, Liberty Grove 1.00, Gum Orchard 1.00, Macedonia 5.00, Pleasant Home 1.00, Rock Creek 2.00, Ronda 1.00. Total $21.00. Adopted.

HOME & FOREIGN MISSIONS.

It is the work of the Home Missions to give the Gospel to the destitute people in our own country. The Home Mission Board is maintaining Missionaries among our native whites and among the Indians, the Negroes the Germans & the Cubans.

The Baptist in the South give $69000 in cash for the work last year. Let us all give Home Missions our sympathies and support.

In the foreign fields we have 102 Missionaries, 80 under the Mission Board, and 22 sent by the churches. The command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" should be sufficient to stir every heart until the Gospel shall have been carried to all nations.

D. R. Edwards } Committee.
W. B. Ellege }

Discussed by T. S. Sprinkle. The churches pledged the following amounts for Home and Foreign Missions.

Baptist Home .50 Cool Springs 3.00, Elkin 5.00, Fishing Creek 1.00, Gum Orchard 1.00, Liberty Grove 1.00, Macedonia 2.00, Pleasant Home 1.00, Rock Creek 1.00, Total $15.50. Adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

On motion of Bro. J. I. Dimmette the following resolution of thanks was adopted, to wit: Resolved, that the heart felt thanks of this Association are due and tendered to the brethren, sisters and citizens of this community for their kind hospitality in supporting this Association

CLERK INSTRUCTED.

On motion of J. W. Burchette, instructed Clerk to reserve five dollars for his services and expend remainder for printing and distributing minutes.

On motion, granted Baptist Home church a letter of dismission from this Association.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Committee on Religious exercises reported Rev. J. R. Jolly to preach to-night, and Rev. C. F. Fields sunday at 11 A. M.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn the Associatill next time and place of meeting. Prayer by Bro. T. S. Sprinkle, song: Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Benediction by Rev. C. F. Fields. Adjourned.

Saturday night a large crowd gathered at the church and engaged in song and prayer service. After which Rev. J. R. Jolly preached a good sermon, Text. John 1:26. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchette. Song: Doxology. Benediction by Rev. J. R. Jolly.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Prayer and song service conducted by Rev. C. F. Fields. Scripture Lesson 51st Psalm. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchette. Rev. C. F. Fields preached one of his best sermons to a large and attentive audiance Text. Amos, 4:12. "Prepare to meet thy God." Song: Throw out the Life Line.

A collection was taken for Home and Foreign Missions amounting to $5.00 Prayer by Bro. T. S. Sprinkle. Song: Doxology Benediction by Rev. C. F. Fields.

This ended another very pleasant session of the Elkin Baptist Association. Rev. C. F. Fields, Moderator. C. P. Burchette, Clerk.

FINANCE REPORT.

We your Committee beg leave to report the following.

	Pastor's salary.	Ministers Relief Board.	State Missions.	Orphan-age.	Home & Foreign Missions.	Church Building.	Education	Minute Fund.	Total for all objects
Baptist Home.....								.20	.20
Cool Springs.....		4.65		2.24	1.44			1.05	9.38
Center.....								·53	.53
Elkin.....			5.00	8.00	5.00		1.00	·75	19.75
Fishing Creek.....								.50	.50
Gum Orchard.....	15.00	1.00	1.00	1.50		225.00		.80	244.30
Liberty Grove.....								.60	.60
Macedonia.....	56.35	5.40	11.0	8.00	3.00			.60	84·35
Mt· Pleasant.....								.40	.40
Poplar Springs...		1.00						.50	1.50
Pleasant Hill.....								60	.60
Pleasant Home...		3.00		1.00	1.00			65	5.65
Rock Creek.....								.50	·50
Ronda.....		3.00						.50	3.50
Roaring Gap.....					1.00			.85	.85
Shoally Branch...		1.00						,60	2.60
Union Cross.....			.50					55	1.05
White Plains.....		1.00						65	1.65
TOTAL	71,3	20.05	7.50	20.74	11.44	225.00	1.00	10.83	377.91

CHURCHES	P. O.	PASTORS	CLERKS	STATISTICAL TABLE	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Membersip.	Sabbath.
Baptist Home	Fairplains	W. F. Porter	J.Jennings	W. B. Ellege	1	1		3			18	4
Center	Parks	A.J.Williams	W.M.McCan	(Represented by Letter)							24	1
Cool Springs	Benham	C. F. Fields	H. Settle	J. M. Lyon A. C. Walls E. R. Settle	7	1		4	1	1	269	2
Elkin	Elkin	W.R.Bradshaw	J.W.Bowles	J. W. Bowles, Tom Eidson.	6	7		7		3	86	1
Fishing Creek	Wilkesboro	M. Walker	IP.Anderson	T. P. James				5			37	1
Gum Orchard	Venable	C. F. Fields	J.V. Melton	F.S. Eldridge, G.G.Tucker, W.L. Melton	4	5	2	2	2		88	3
Liberty Grove	Knottville	G.M. Burcham	WN Alex-	W.N. Alexander, E Bowles, G. M. Woodruff				3		1	59	3
Macedonia	Dimmette	J.W. Burchette	J.T.Edwards	J. I. Dimmette, W. E. Parks	6	3		1		2	99	3
Mt. Pleasant	State Road	J. F. Smith	TA'chipman	(Represented by Letter)	5	3					32	4
Poplar Springs	Chatham	W H Melton	JF Burcham	T A Gentry, J A Chipman	6	5		3		2	59	3
Pleasant Hill	Elkin	W H Melton	S J Burcham	J C Johnson	3	8					30	3
Pleasant Home	Lomax	J F Settle	J N Burchett	D F Tharp. W F Edwards, J A Burcham	1	1	2	3	1		64	4
Rock Creek	Round Mt.	J W Burchette	I N Baugess	J B Blackburn, I N Bauguss, V Wheatly	4		1	6	3	1	116	2
Ronda	Ronda	W R Bradshaw	E D Byrd	J M Dobbins						1	26	1
Roaring Gap	Parks	J F Settle	C C Gentry	Levi Collins, A C Gentry, C C Gentry						1	26	2
Shoaly Branch	Ozark	S E Gentry	H F Carter	G W Gilliam	7	2		1	2	1	78	3
Union Cross	Venable	R P Coram	C C Hol'y'ld	(Represented by letter)		3		2		1	55	4
White Plains	Roaring R	G M Burcham	S J Greenw'd	E H Parks	7	2				3	66	1
				Total	57	41	5	40	9	17	1231	

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The next session of this Association will be held with Gum Orchard Baptist church, Venable, Surry Co. N. C., commenceing on Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in September 1900.

THE CURFEW PRINT: ABSHERS, N. C.

USUAL COMMITTEE TO REPORT AT NEXT ASSOCIATION.

Committee of arrangement: J. I. Dimmette, J. R. Jolly, J. N. Burchette, J. M. Dobbins and J. M. Gambill.

Periodicals: J. E. Johnson.

Education: C. P. Burchette.

State Missions: J. I. Dimmette.

Home and Foreign Missions: J. W. Bowles.

Temperance: I. L. Shugart.

Ministers' Relief Board: J. M. Lyon.

Orphanage: J. W. Burchette.

Pastoral and church Relations: T. L. Byrd.

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OFFICERS:

C. F. FIELDS, MODERATOR, ELKIN, N. C.
C. P. BURCHETTE, CLERK, DIMMETTE, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. I. DIMMETTE, Dimmette, N. C.
J. W. BOWLES, Elkin, N. C.
I. L. SHUGART, Jonesville, N. C.
J. M. DOBBINS, Ronda, N. C.
J. M. LYON, Elkin, N. C.

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LIST OF MINISTERS.

ADAMS, N. H.,	Venable,	N. C.
BARKER, J. H.,	Lomax,	"
BURCHETTE, J. W.,	Ronda,	"
BURCHAM, G. W.,	Elkin,	"
FIELDS, C. F.,	Elkin,	"
GENTRY, S. E.,	Chatham,	"
HUGHS, JOHN,	Benham,	"
JOLLY, J. R.,	Lomax,	"
JOHNSON, J. E.,	Jonesville,	"
LAFFOON, W. J.,	Elkin,	"
MELTON, W. H.,	Kapp's Mill,	"
MYERS, W. W.,	Round Mountain,	"
MYERS, A. E.,	Round Mountain,	"
ROLLINS, B. F.,	Elkin,	"
SMITH, J. F.,	Ozark,	"
WILLIAMS, A. J.,	Kapp's Mill,	"
WHEATLY, A. E.,	Round Mountain,	"

This list, no doubt, is incomplete as most of the churches failed to give names of ministers. Please remember next year.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR YEAR 1899.

Received from Finance Committee.

Minute Fund,	$11.45
Ministers' Relief Board,	2.00
Home and Foreign Missions,	2.50
State Missions,	5.35
Education,	.50
Total,	$21.80

PAID OUT.

Printing Minutes and Postage,	$ 6.45
Ministers' Relief Board,	2.00
Home and Foreign Missions,	2.50
State Missions,	5.35
Education,	.50
Clerk's Fees,	5.00
Total,	$21.80

PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, 11 A. M., Sept. 26, 1899.

The twenty first annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association, convened with Shoaly Branch Baptist church, Ozark, N. C. Introductory Sermon, preached by Rev. A. J. Williams, Text: Psalms, 133 : 1.

INTERMISSION.

Association reassembled. Song: "Glory Land."

Scripture lesson by Rev. C. F. Fields, Romans: 12.

Prayer by J. W. Bowles.

Association called to order by Moderator. Letters presented and read by Clerk, and delegates enrolled. On motion, go into election of officers for ensuing year. Rev. S. J. Beeker and J. M. Gambill were requested to conduct election which resulted in the election of Rev. C. F Fields, Moderator and C. P. Burchette, Clerk.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONDENTS AND VISITORS.

Rev. C. M. Cope, Stone Mountain Association, Rev. S. J. Beeker, Yadkin Association and Rev. B. Mathis, Brier Creek Association, presented themselves for recognition and were recognized by Moderator and welcomed to seats in the Association.

Report of Correspondents. Rev. J. R. Jolly reported being present at the Stone Mountain Association and enjoyed a pleasant session.

On motion of J. W. Bowles, Moderator appointed the usual committees:

Arrangements: J. W. Bowles, J. R. Jolly, A. J. Williams, Hyram Settle and S. A. Johnson.

Finance Committee: S.M.Burchette, A.C.Phillips.

In Memoriam Com'ittee: W.M.Jolly, S.J.Burcham.

Religious Exercises: J. M. Byrd with Pastor and delegates of this church.

Digest of Church Letters: J.R.Jolly, J.N.Burchette.

Temperance: C.M.Cope, A.J.Williams, J.I.Dim'ette.

Education: C.P.Burchette, J.W.Hicks, J.E.Johnson.

State Missions: E.H.Darnall, J.I.Dimmette, S. J. Beeker.

Home and Foreign Missions: B.F.Rollins, N. A. Melton.

Orphanage: J. L. Bowles, J. W. Bowles, Robert Spencer.

Periodicals: Abner Caudill, J. W. Cobb, W. M. McCann.

Time, Place and Preacher: A.J.Williams, Eli Walls.

Pastoral and Church Relations: S.M.Burchette, J. M. Gambill.

Ministers' Relief Board: J. R. Jolly, J. V. Golden.

Nominating Committee: C.P.Burchette, J.M.Byrd, J. A. Chipman.

On motion of C. P. Burchette adopted the following program for meeting: Meet at 9 A. M., adjourn at 11 A. M. for preaching. Meet at 1 P. M., and adjourn at will.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported Rev. S. J. Beeker to preach Tuesday night and Rev. J. W. Cobb to preach Wednesday at 11 A. M. The Association then adjourned after prayer by Rev. S. J. Beeker with benediction by Rev. J. W. Cobb.

TUESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

At 8 P. M. Association assembled in church. A short devotional season consisting in prayer by Rev. J. W. Cobb and music by choir after which Rev. S. J. Beeker, of Boonville, N. C., preached an instructive sermon to a large and attentive audience, Text: 1 Cor. 15 : 58. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. R. Jolly. Song: "How firm a foundation." Adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. W. Cobb, of Fayettsville, N. C.

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1899.

The Association met at 9 A. M.

Prayer and song service conducted by Rev. J. R. Jolly. Scripture lesson 116 Psalm. Prayer by Rev. C. M. Cope. Song: "At the Savior's right hand." Prayer was offered by C. P. Burchette. Song: "Come thou fount of every blessing." Association being called to order by Moderator, the Clerk proceeded to call roll of delegates, read minutes of preceeding meeting, Constitution, Articles of faith and Rules of Decorum.

The minutes being approved the Moderator extend-

ed an invitation to Corresponding brethren when Brother J. S. Kilby and Rev. E. W. Turner of Stone Mountain Association and Rev. J. W. Cobb representing NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST were recognized, and accepted seats.

Committee on Religious Exercises rported Rev. J. R. Jolly to preach Wednesday night. On motion, of Rev. J. R. Jolly, River Side church was granted a letter of dismission by request.

PERIODICALS.

Your committee on religious literature beg leave to report the following:

"This is an age in which every man, woman, and child is hunting for something to read. Our mails are being flooded with printed matter which is pouring corruption into the minds of our youth. What can be done? As they must read something, it must be supplied. The Bible is the best reading in the world and anything that makes us read the Bible more is what we need. We recommend that the Biblical Recorder or North Carolina Baptist or Charity and Children or all three of these be placed in every baptist home. If this were done much of the pernicious literature would be dispensed with. We also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, Home Fields, Sunday School Helps, etc. We ask our pastors to do all in their power to place the above named literature in the homes of our people."

J. W. Cobb,
Abner Caudill Jr., } Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. W. Cobb, Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. S. J. Beeker. Adopted.

PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

Your committee on Pastoral and Church relations report the following:

"The relations between the pastor and church are very near. It is the duty of the pastor to promptly attend his church and look after the spiritual needs of the members and also to visit their homes and read a portion of scripture, and advise them in the way of their religious duties. It is an indespensible duty of the church to be present at each and every

meeting, and assist the pastor in the public services, and also to look after the needs of the pastor and see that he does not suffer for the necessaries of life. It is ordained of God, that they, who preach the Gospel, shall live of the Gospel."

J. M. Gambill,
S. M. Burchette, } Committee.

Remarks by J. W. Bowles, Rev. S. J. Beeker, Rev. C. F. Fields and I. L. Shugart. Adopted.

Adjourned for preaching. Song: "Jesus lover of my soul." The Association was led in prayer by Rev. C.M.Cope. Scripture lesson Timothy 1 chapter. Song: "Am I a soldier of the Cross?" Sermon by Rev. J. W. Cobb, Text: Tim. 1 : 15. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields. Song: "Tell us something more."

NOON.

WEDNESDAY—AFTER NOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 1 P. M., Moderator in chair, and being called to order prayer was offered by Rev. J. E. Johnson. Song: "Standing on the promises." Moderator called for any delinquent churches when Union Cross presented letter which was read and delegates enrolled.

TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on Temperance report the following:

"We believe temperance a moderate use of such things as are necessary and a total abstenance from such things as are not necessary, and we would advise our churches to deal with such members as will still continue to manufacture, sell, and use as a beverage, intoxicating liquors, as we believe it to be one of the great evils of our day. It robs so many homes of their pleasure and comfort; and has been the cause of so many widows and orphans; and is filling hell with the souls of many of our fellowmen. We would advise the pastors of this Association to preach temperance to all of their churches. "Wherefore if eating meats cause my brother to offend I will eat no more flesh while the world stands lest I cause my brother to offend."

J. I. Dimmette,
A. J. Williams, } Committee.
C. M. Cope,

Discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope, Rev. J. E. Johnson, Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. J. W. Cobb, I. L. Shugart J. I. Dimmette. Adopted

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ORPHANAGE.

Your committee to whom was referred the Baptist Orphanage beg leave to report the following:

"When we look around us and see how bountifully God has blessed us as an association, and then see how little we are giving back to the Lord in helping to support the little helpless orphans of the brothers and sisters of our faith, we are made to feel that the fearful curse that God, through Mal. 3 : 8, 9 spoke against his people will be visited upon us, if we do not arouse out of this sleep of negligence and go about the Lord's work. Brethren let us remember our Lord's words when he said: "Whosoever shall give a cup of cold water to one of these little ones shall in no wise loose his reward," also "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord and He will repay him back again"—Heb. 6:10. God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love which ye have showed towards his name in that, ye have ministered to the saints and do minister now. Brethren let us remember another scripture that says: "He that knoweth his duty and doeth it not shall be beaten with many stripes." With these plain scriptural truths before us let us do our whole duty by these 175 Orphans that God has given us to train for Him."

J. W. Bowles,
Robert Spencer, } Committee.
J. A. Bowles,

The Association was addressed by the following: J. W. Bowles, Rev. A. J. Williams. Adopted.

The Committee on Time and Place of next Association recommend Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in September 1900, as the time and Gum Orchard Baptist church Venable, Surry Co., N. C., as the place for the session of the next Association. We also recommend Rev. J. R. Jolly, of Lomax, N. C., as the preacher.

A. J. Williams, } Committee.
Eli Walls,

The Association was adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. W. Cobb. Benediction by Rev. S. J. Beeker.

WEDNESDAY-NIGHT.

At 8 P.M. a large crowd assembled in the church and engaged in a short season of devotional exercises, consisting in prayer by Rev. J. W. Cobb, and music by the choir, after which the audience listened attentively to a good sermon by Rev. J. R. Jolly, Text: Jas. 1:1, then was led in prayer by Rev. J. E. Johnson. Benediction by Rev. S. J. Beeker.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

September 28, 1899.

The Association met at 9 A. M., and being called to order by Moderator, was led in prayer by J. W. Bowles, and a short season of prayer and song service, conducted by Rev. J. E. Johnson, was enjoyed. The journal was read and confirmed.

The Finance Committee reported paying, all moneys received, into the hands of the Treasurer, and Committee discharged.

Committee on Nominations report. Your Committee to nominate Executive Committee for ensuing year respectfully submit the following: J. I. Dimmette, J. W. Bowles, I. L. Shugart, J. M. Dobbins, J. M. Lyon.

J. M. Byrd,
J. A. Chipman. } Committee.
Adopted. C. P. Burchette,

EDUCATION.

Your Committee appointed to take under consideration the subject of Education beg leave to report as follows:

"The Baptist of N. C. have always taken a bold stand for Education and are to-day playing their component part in educating and evangelizing the world. They believe in every one having the free use of the Bible and reading it for himself. They realize the truth of the old adage "Ignorance and superstition are the progenitors of crime," and that ignorant people are easily led astray by false teachers, and this country is being canvassed by those false teachers who would remove the Bible from every home and place their corrupt literature in its stead. Near the center of this State is Wake Forest

College, one of the greatest Christian Institutions and the leading Baptist College in the South. It has sent out some of the noblest preachers and most successful teachers and earnest laymen of any other institution of the country and its influence is felt from mountains to sea. Now, since it is doing so much to christianize the state and sending so many of its alumni to preach to the heathern, we must stand by it and sustain it in its efforts.

In the capital city of our state has been erected, by the baptist denomination, a magnificent and elegant Seminary which opens up a way by which the bright minded daughters of the State may obtain an education at its actual cost. Let us put forth every effort to advance this and the Baptist cause everywhere.

J. E. Johnson,
J. W. Hicks, } Committee.
C. P. Burchette,

The association was addressed by Rev. J. E. Johnson, C. P. Burchette and J. W. Cobb. Adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee to consider State Missions report as follows:

"The three key words to the situation of our State mission work are: Progress, opportunity, need. These words express both the past and the present history, the prospect and necessities of our work. Since 1720, the beginning of our organized work, we have made phenominal progress as Baptists. Probably in no territory in the world was there ever seen greater prosperity or more constant and rapid growth vouched safe to any christian denomination. And when we remember that the progress and prosperity of the Baptist are not that of a machine, or of any organization but the progress of an idea, a principal and a divine thought, it cannot be counted less than a matter of congratulation to all the people of N. C. But especially is this so to those of our people who, living far from the center of influence and travel, have received the gospel at our hands and who to day but for the influence of our State mission work would not have the advantage of church, Sunday school and christian privileges. More than 4000 destitute fields have been supplied with preaching and more than one third of our Baptist churches have been organized by men laboring under the direction of this board. Every year is adding to the record and we rejoice in the success of our missionaries. We have men preach-

ing at more than three hundred places in more than fifty different counties in our state. We, your committee believe that State missions is at the foundation of all our mission work and that when we are pushing State missions, we are helping every other missionary enterprise; because, we are increasing the number of those who will be helpers in this great work in the near future. For this reason we urge that all our people give liberally to the support of our State mission work."

J. I. Dimmette,
E. H. Darnall, } Committee.
S. J. Beeker,

Discussed by Rev. S. J. Beeker, J. W. Bowles and J. W. Cobb.

The amount of pledges will be found in a table of pledges in back of the minutes.

It was moved and carried that the baptist people of the association to give the proceedings of the 15th day of Nov. to the mission cause. Let every one prepare to do an honest day's work for the Lord.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Received by Baptism	59	Dismissed by Letter	24
" " Application	3	" " Exclus'n	12
" " Restoration	19	Died	4
Total	81	Total	40

Gain 41.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. Jolly,
J. N. Burchette, } Committee.

Adopted.

IN MEMORIAM.

Your committee beg leave to report the following:

"There has been one special change since our last association. Rev. J. F. Settle was born Oct. 21st 1859 and died Oct. 24th 1898. Aged 39 years 3 days. Bro. Settle joined the Baptist church at Cool Springs in Nov. 1873 and lived as a consistent member of that for several years when he joined Macedonia church of which he was a devoted member at his death. On Apr. 9, 1892 he was ordained to the ministry. He was a good neighbor loved, by all who knew him both saint and sinner. His name will remain a household word in

the community. Bro. Settle will never more counsel us here on earth but we can let his life serve as a model by which we may live and when we fall asleep in death we can have the assurance of awaking with him in the Paradise above where we will never part again."

S. J. Burcham, }
W. M. Jolly, } Committee.

On motion of Rev. J. E. Johnson Moderator appointed the usual committee for next Association whose duty it is to write up reports on the subject opposite their names which appears in the previous list.

It was moved and carried that the Committee of arrangements appointed at this session to get up a program for next Association and hand to clerk to have spread upon the minutes of this session.

The following is the program as handed in by the Committee: Tuesday, Sept. 25, 1900, 11 A. M. Sermon by Rev. J. R. Jolly.

DINNER.

1 Organization.
2 Recognized correspondents.
3 Appointment of correspondents and committees.
4 Report of correspondents.
5 Committee on nomination report.
6 Committee on religious Exercise report.

Wednesday, 9 A. M. Sept. 26, 1900.

1 Devotional Exercise.
2 In memoriam committee report.
3 Committee on Education report.
4 Report of committee on Periodicals.
5 Sermon 11 A. M.

NOON.

1 Report of committee on orphanage.
2 Committee on Ministers Relief Board report.
3 Pastoral and church Relation, Committee report
4 Report of Committee on digest of church letters.
5 Committee on Religious Exercises report.

THURSDAY 9, A. M. Sept. 27, 1900.

1 Prayer and song service.
2 Committee on Time and Place report.
3 Executive Committee report.
4 Report of Committee on State Missions.
5 Report of Committee on Home and Foreign Miss.
6 Sermon (11. A. M.)

NOON.

1 Finance Commitiee Report.
2 Report of Committee on Temperance.
3 Miscellany.

It is requested that each Committee write out a report on the subject assigned him and carry (or send it if not possible to go himself) to the next Association.

The Moderator appointed the following correspondents: To Stone Mountain Association, Rev. J. R. Jolly Rev. W. W. Myers. To Alleghany and Grayson Association: Rev. J. W. Burchette and J. I. Dimmette. To Brushy Mountain Association: S. M. Burchette and J. M. Dobbins. To The Baptist State Convention: Rev. J. W. Burchette and J. W. Bowles. To Brier Creek Association: Rev. J. E. Johnson and Rev. C. F. Fields. To The Yadkin Association: Rev. A. J. Williams and C. P. Burchette. To The Southern Baptist Convention: Rev. J. E. Johnson.

Rev. J. W. Cobb tendered thanks for the many kindnesses shown him and for the interest taken in the "North Carolina Baptist."

NOON.

THURSDAY-EVENING SESSION.

September 28, 1899.

Association reassembled. Music by choir. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. J. Williams. Song: "Marching Home."

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on Home and Foreign Missions submit the following:

"The subject of Missions is one in which we as your com-

mittee feels that it is of more importance than anything else that confronts us as a Denomination. Your committee is assured, from the lack of interest shown in this work that our people are not studying God's word. Consequently they do not know his will concerning this subject, because we know by experience and observation that no christian can fail to see if he seeks to know the will of the spirit that it is his duty to give, of his means to the spreading of the Gospel. Now brethren, if we know any thing about the spirit of Christ, the very first impulse you received after you were converted was this; a desire for others to be saved. And now we as Baptist have a greater responsibility than ever before in our home field, especially. In Cuba and Porto Rico, the Roman Yoke has been removed, and they are sending out the Macedonian cry. Come over and give us the gospel in Foreign Fields. The Lord has converted more men and women in China this year than during any previous year in the history of Missions. Because of these blessings we are greatly encouraged and we would urge that the pastors of our Association awake to their duty and put forth a greater effort along this line, because we feel that this subject has been very much neglected by our pastors. Brethren how can the heathen hear without a preacher? and how can he preach without he is sent?"

B. F. Rollins, } Committee.
N. A. Melton, }

Remarks by Rev. B. F. Rollins, Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. J. E. Johnson. Adopted.

MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

Your Committee to take under consideration the Ministers' Relief Board beg leave to report the following:

"We deem it our indispensible duty as christians to support the aged and worn out Ministers of the gospel and we are glad that the churches are generally responding liberally. We recommend that the pastors urge their churches to get the full amount pledged and increase the amount for next year.

J. R. Jolly, } Committee.
J. V. Golden, }

Remarks by Rev. J. R. Jolly. Adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee respectfully report the following:

"We were unable to procure a Missionary until late in

the year when Rev. J. R. Jolly accepted the work and has been preaching at Union Hill and Roaring Gap with good rusults. He has baptized 8, made 18 visits, traveled 425 miles Preached 62 sermons. Made 202 Religious talks and has received $19.30.

J. W. Bowles for the Ex. Com.

Remarks by J. W. Bowles, Rev. J. R. Jolly. A collection was taken and $1. 80 was realized and handed to the Missionary.

The Ex. Com. appointed at this session having organized, decided to hold a "Union Meeting" at Cool Springs church on the fifth Saturday and Sunday in October, '99. The first one to be devoted to Associational Missions. The meeting is styled Ministers and Deacons meeting—and will be held on each fifth Sunday during the year and at such places as the committee may designate. Let all who believe in Mission work attend and be benefitted.

On motion of Rev. S. J. Beeker, it was Resolved, that we the pastors, delegates and visitors attendant upon this Association who have received the unbounded hospitality of this community, do tender to our friends our sincere thanks and do pray that God's richest blessings may ever rest upon this community.

On motion of J. I. Dimmette, the Clerk was instructed to reserve $5.00 out of the minute fund and expend the rest for printing and distributing minutes.

Remarks by Rev. John Hughs. The work of the Association having been accomplished and after being led in prayer by J. W. Bowles, the brethren engaged in singing the Doxology then adjourned to meet again with Gum Orchard church, Venable, N. C., on Tuesday Sept. 25, 1900, with Benediction by Rev. John Hughs.

REV. C. F. FIELDS, MODERATOR.

C. P. BURCHETTE, CLERK.

FINANCE REPORT.

The Committee on Finance reported the following:

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary,	Min't'r's Relief Board.	State Miss'ns.	Orphan-age.	Home and F. M.	Edu-cat'n.	Minute Fund.	Total for all objects.
Center	$		$	$	$	$	$ .45	$ .45
Cool Springs	25.00		.30		.30		1.35	26.95
Elkin	165.00	$ 5.	7.	5.	5.	4.	.60	191.60
Fishing Creek								
Gum Orchard	15.00		.25	1.30	1.		.85	18.40
Liberty Grove		1.	.90				.60	2.50
Macedonia	50.00	5.73	5.				.75	60.48
Mt. Pleasant							.50	.50
Poplar Springs							.50	.50
Pleasant Hill		.50		1.00			.95	2.45
Pleasant Home	16.21	3.51	3.25		.50	.50	.90	24.87
Rock Creek	17.85	.77	1.35	6.97			.55	27.49
Ronda			3.				.50	3.50
Roaring Gap		1.	1.				.75	2.75
Shoaly Branch							.50	.50
Union Cross				.75	.70		.85	2.30
Union Hill							.30	.30
White Plains		2.	6.30				.55	8.85
Total	$289.06	$19.51	$28.35	$15.02	$7.50	$4.50	$11.45	$374.39

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

The delegates from the different churches promised to raise the following amounts opposite the names of the church they represented, for the different objects.

CHURCHES.	Min't'r's Relief Board.	State Miss'ns.	Orphan-age.	Total for all objects.
Center	$ 1.	$	$ 1.	$ 2.
Cool Springs	5.	2.	5.	12.
Elkin	5.	12.	10.	27.
Gum Orchard	1.	1.	1.	3.
Liberty Grove	1.	1.		2.
Macedonia	2.	5.	2.	9.
Mt. Pleasant			1.	1.
Poplar Springs	.50			.50
Pleasant Hill	1.	1.	1.	3.
Pleasant Home	3.	3.	1.	7.
Rock Creek		1.	3.	4.
Ronda	1.	1.	1.	1.
Roaring Gap			.50	.50
Shoaly Branch	1.	1.		2.
Union Cross				
Union Hill				
White Plains			.50	.50
Total	$21.50	$28.00	$27.00	$74.50

PERSONAL PLEDGES.

Bro. I. L. Shugart promised to give $2.50 for State Mission.

CHURCHES.	POSTOFFICES.		PASTORS.	CLERKS.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Rec'd Let.	Restored.	Dis. Lett.	Excluded.	Died.	Total Mc.	Sabbath.
Center	Parks,	N. C.	John Hughs	W. M. McCann	A. C. Phillips, Jas. Holcomb, Wm. McCann		1				1	24	2
Cool Springs	Elkin	"	C. F. Fields	Hiram Settle	E. H. Darnall, Hiram Settle, T. L. Byrd	18		1	2	3	1	283	2
Elkin	Elkin	"	W. R. Bradshaw	J. W. Bowles	J. W. Bowles, B. F. Rollins, N. W. Fowler	3	7		1	10		96	3
Fishing Creek	Wilkesboro	"			Not represented								
Gum Orchard	Venable	"	C. F. Fields	J. V. Melton	F. S. Eldridge, N. A. Melton, B. J. Snow	5			1	2		90	3
Liberty Grove	Knottsville	"	G. M. Burcham	W. N. Alexander	Abner Caudill, J. L. Bowles	2				2		59	3
Macedonia	Dimmette	"	J. W. Burchette	J. T. Edwards	J. I. Dimmette, S. M. Burchette, T. Darnall	1	1			1		100	1
Mt. Pleasant	State Road	"	S. E. Gentry	S. H. Miller	J. V. Golden	3			1			34	3
Poplar Springs	Chatam	"	W. H. Melton	J. F. Burcham	J. A. Chipman, J. W. Hicks, M. J. Wilcoxen				3	1		13	3
Pleasant Hill	Elkin	"	W. H. Melton	S. J. Burcham	E. P. Walls, S. J. Burcham	7	5					42	4
Pleasant Home	Lomax	"	S. E. Gentry	J. N. Burchette	J. N. Burchette, J. M. Byrd, W. M. Jolly			1		2	1	67	4
Rock Creek	Round M't'n	"	J. W. Burchette	I. N. Bauguess	N. P. Myers, I. N. Bauguess	11		2	6			125	2
Ronda	Ronda	"	C. F. Fields	E. D. Byrd	T. C. Byrd	2			1	2		23	4
Roaring Gap	Parks	"	J. R. Jolly	C. C. Gentry	Levi Collins, R. M. Collins		1					28	3
Shoaly Branch	Ozark	"	S. E. Gentry	H. F. Carter	R. Spencer, S. A. Johnson, A. M. Darnall	1						79	3
Union Cross	Venable	"	R. P. Coram	E. J. Starling	T. A. Dobbins			3		10		44	4
Union Hill	Kapps Mills	"	J. R. Jolly	K. H. Wilmoth	K. H. Wilmoth, W. H. Norman	6	2	3				26	1
White Plains	Roaring River	"	G. M. Burcham	S. J. Greenwood	John Bolden				1			64	1
Total 18					38	59	17	10	16	33	3	1197	

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

Bro. I. L. Shugart promised to give $2.50 for State Mission.

If I do not tell the
Children come
to Jesus.
Revelation by
Immediate Inspiration
Electro-Biology.
Fascination
False Speech
Reflexive Reflexion.
Revelation by
Instinct or Mental Intuition
Intelligence or not Intelligence
Affirmations
Decisions and Lines by
Bumps, Outlines
Lines & Hieroglyphics
Phrenology

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OFFICERS.

C. F. FIELDS, Moderator, Elkin, N. C.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. I. DIMMETTE,	Dimmette,	N. C.
I. L. SHUGART,	Jonesville,	"
J. M. LYONS,	Elkin,	"
J. A. POPLIN,	Ronda,	"
P. A. LOMAX,	Lomax,	"
M. Q. SNOW,	State Road,	"
J. W. BOWLES,	Elkin,	"

PROCEEDINGS.

Zephyr, Surry County N. C.,
Tuesday, September 25th, 1900.

The Elkin Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-second Annual Session, with Gum Orchard Baptist church at 11 a. m. The audience sang: "Stand up for Jesus," and J. R. Jolly led in prayer.

The introductory sermon was preached by J. R. Jolly, of Lomax, N. C., Text: Luke XII : 35. Prayer by A. J. Williams. Noon.

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1 P. M. The Association reassembled. The audience united in singing. Scripture reading, 84th, Psalm, by C. F. Fields. The congregation was led in prayer by J. H. Lewellyn.

Association was called to order by Moderator Fields.

Letters were presented, read and delegates enrolled.

The Moderator announced association open for reception of newly constituted churches; none present.

Organization.

On motion, of J. W. Burchette, went into election of officers by ballot. J. H. Lewellyn and Bird Snow were appointed to conduct the election which resulted in the reelection of C. F. Fields, of Elkin, N. C., Moderator and C. P. Burchette, of Dimmette, N. C., Clerk and Treasurer.

Recognized visitors.

The following were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: J. H. Lewellyn, J. R. Lewellyn, J. F. Haymore and C. H. Stone, of Yadkin Association, John A. Martin, of Pilot Mountain Association.

The following committees were appointed to report in the absence of those who failed to come to association:

Periodicals—C. H. Utley.

Home and Foreign Missions—J. H. Lewellyn and C. H. Stone.

Committee on order of Business—S. E. Gentry, J. W. Hicks, E. H. Darnall, H. F. Carter and A. Brewer.

Finance—S. M. Burchette and C. W. Williams.

In Memoriam—A. J. Williams and J. R. Jolly.

On Preaching—J. M. Dobbins with delegates of this church.

Digest of Church Letters—B. F. Rollins and John Burcham.

Time, Place and Preacher—I. L. Shugart, B. W. Snow and J. F. Gentry.

Committee to Nominate Remaining Officers—C. P. Burchette, I. M. Myers and T. M. Byrd.

Ministerial Relief Board—J. R. Lewellyn.

The following Correspondents were appointed:

Stone Mountain Association: S. E. Gentry and J. R. Jolly. Alleghany and Grayson Association: J. W. Burchette and A. J. Williams. Brushy Mountain Association: C. F. Fields and J. R. Jolly. Yadkin Association: J. W. Hicks and A. J. Williams. Briar Creek: Association: J. W. Burchette and C. H. Utley. Baptist State Convention: J. W. Burchette and C. H. Utley. Southern Baptist Convention: C. H. Utley.

Report of correspondents who have recently visited Associations: J. R. Jolly reported that he visited Stone Mountain Association and said they had a pleasant session.

On motion, of J. W. Burchette, the following order of business was adopted: Meet at 9 a. m. Adjourn for preaching at 11 a. m. Meet at 1 p. m. Adjourn at will.

Committee to Nominate Executive.

Committee made the following report:

"Allow your committee on nomination to present the following names for your consideration: J. W. Bowles, Elkin, N. C., I. L. Shugart, Jonesville, N. C., P. A. Lomax, Lomax, N. C., J. A. Poplin, Ronda, N. C., and M. Q. Snow, State Road, N. C."

T. M. Byrd,
I. M. Myers,
C. P. Burchette, } Committee.

Committee on preaching reported, J. W. Burchette to preach Tuesday night and J. H. Lewellyn to preach Wednesday at 11 a. m. The association then adjourned after prayer by C. H. Utley, of Elkin, N. C., and benediction by C. F. Fields.

TUESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association having assembled, the audience engaged in singing and prayer service, after which an

instructive discourse was preached by J. W. Burchette, of Roaring River, N. C., from Acts, 1 : 8.

The congregation was led in prayer by C. H. Stone.

The choir sang: "Oh, for a closer walk with God."

The Association then adjourned with benediction by J. W. Burchette.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Zephyr, N. C., September 26th, 1900.

The Association met at 9, a. m., and engaged in devotional exercises for a half hour conducted by Chas. H. Utley, reading 55th, Chapt. of Isaiah. Prayer was offered by J. R. Jolly. Mussic by the choir.

The Moderator called the Association to order. The journal was read and confirmed. The Clerk called roll of delegates. Some delegates having failed to be present at the beginning of Association were asked to hand in letters, which were read and delegates enrolled.

Recognized correspondents and visitors.

J. C. Caddell, of Biblical Recorder, O. L. Stringfield, of Bap't Female University, Raleigh, N. C., J. W. Cobb, of North Carolina Baptist, and K. Thompson, of Yadkin Association, were recognized and welcomed to seats in Association.

On motion, of C. H. Utley, the order of business was suspended and the time to be devoted to preaching was used in discussion of the different subjects.

C. P. Burchette read the following report on the subject of

EDUCATION.

"As we mingle with the Baptist folks of North Carolina, and even the western part, nothing makes a deeper impression upon us than the great longing for an education, especially among the boys and girls. We cannot say that a passion for knowledge pertains to all, but to many, and it is an ineffable pleasure to know that this great yearning for culture and a higher plane in the educated world, often crowds out common pleasures which tend to effeminate the mind. The Baptist have ever been a people to aid in the education of choice and capable young people, but they have never reached their arm's length to gather in those ambitious sons

and daughters, who are deprived of educational advantages and have not the means of obtaining it. Then we should not be surprised at some burying their talents, for domestic labor, when they have an inclination to cleave to books and hate the farm. Now if we would have our denomination grow we have only to educate men and women so they can read and understand the Bible for themselves and it will sure grow. The Baptists have two of the leading colleges of the south—Wake Forest College beautifully situated in the town of Wake Forest, and the Baptist Female University which adds much to the magnificence and attraction of the Capital city of our dear old State. The former opening up with the brightest prospects of its history; the latter, by the over 200 young ladies enrolled, shows what it is doing in giving educational advantages to the fair daughters of the old North State. Now Brethren if we would have our cause furthered, then let us educate our people. Secure for the young people the best advantages even in the free schools of our community, and then let us as an association give of our means to aid these colleges to offer greater advantages to the seekers of higher education."

Respectfully submitted,
C. P. Burchette, Committee.

Discussed by C. P. Burchette, O. L. Stringfield and C. H. Utley. Adopted.

PERIODICALS.

"We live in an age of reading. A reading man is a more inteligent and more efficient worker than his brother who does not read. As Baptists we have good reasons for just pride in our denominational literature.

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER, the organ of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, takes first rank as a religious paper while its editorials are considered equal to the best in Southern Current Literature. THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST is doing a great work for our cause and deserves our hearty support. CHARITY AND CHILDREN is the organ of the Orphanage.

The Baptist who reads these papers keeps in touch with his denomination in all lines of religious work. And the one who is content to live uninformed can only half discharge the duty assigned by the Master. We should, one and all, take our denominational papers and read them carefully and prayerfully." Submitted,

J. C. Caddell, Committee.

Discussed by J. C. Caddell, C. F. Fields and J. W. Cobb. Adopted.

NOON.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The association was called to order by Moderator. Music by choir, conducted by Prof. J. F. Bland, of Rockford, N. C. Prayer was offered by J. C. Caddell. Prof. J. F. Bland, of Yadkin association, was recognized and welcomed to seat in association, also asked to conduct the singing during the session.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

"The work of our orphanage is one of the most important of the objects of this association. We have now at Thomasville, one hundred and seventy five orphan children. The Lord has thrown them upon our charity. Will we care for them? To care for them means something more than to express our sympathy for them. We must clothe and feed them. We cannot afford to say it is too scarce this year of drought. The scripture says: 'Bring your tithes into the Lord's store-house, and see if I will not pour you out a blessing that ye have not room to receive it.' James said: 'True religion before God is; to visit the fatherless and widow, etc.' Let us visit the orphanage this year with our gifts."

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. Burchette, Committee.

Discussed by J. W. Burchette and O. L. Stringfield. Adopted. A speedy collection was taken for the Orphanage amounting to $7.98

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

"Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Ministerial Relief, beg leave to submit the following report: That, whereas it is the doctrine of the Baptist church that all persons called of God and set apart as ministers of His Gospel, should devote themselves wholly to this work, and that they who preach the Gospel, should live of the Gospel; this being the plain and unmistakable teaching of the Bible. And, whereas ministers of the Gospel living in accordance with the teaching of their church and the doctrine of inspiration, reach old age in destitute circumstances. Therefore, it is the first

last and most binding obligation by divine injunction that churches see that aged and infirm ministers' of the Gospel are well and comfortably provided for during their last days on this earth."

J. R. Lewellyn, Committee.

Remarks by J. C. Caddell. Adopted.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Received by Baptism	71	Dismissed by Letter	31
" " Letter	23	" " Exclusion	8
		Died	7
Total	94		
		Total	46

Gain 48.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. Rollins, John Burcham, } Committee.

Adopted.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, reported the following:

"We recommend Thursday before the first Sunday in November 1901, as the Time, and Ronda Baptist church, in the town of Ronda, Wilkes Co., N. C., for the next session of the association. We also recommend S. E. Gentry, of Surry county as the preacher."

I. L. Shugart, J. F. Gentry, B. W. Snow, } Committee.

Adopted.

Committee on Preaching reported: C. H. Utley to preach Wednesday night and O. L. Stringfield Thursday at 11 a. m.

PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION REPORT.

Your Committee on Pastoral and Church Relation begs leave to submit the following:

"We feel ourselves under many obligations to our pastors because we know that they can't do their duty unless aided and supported by the churches. Neither can a church prosper unless the Pastor does his whole duty. The word pastor means shepherd. The shepherd should care for his flock and see that they are well fed and sheltered. It is not only the duty of

the Pastor to be prompt to attend his churches at each meeting but he should visit the home of his members and read God's word to them, pray with them, and instruct them in the ways of righteousness. It is ordained of God that they that preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel."

T. L. Byrd, Committee.

Discussed by T. L. Byrd, S. E. Gentry, C. H. Stone and S. D. Brown. Adopted.

On motion, of C. P. Burchette adjourned till Thursday 9 a. m. The congregation was led in prayer by O. L. Stringfield, of Raleigh. The audience united in singing: "Praise God from Whom all Blessings flow." C. H. Utley pronounced the benediction.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association met at 8, p. m. Songs by the choir. C. H. Utley led the congregation in prayer.

O. L. Stringfield preached a wonderful sermon from 2 Thess. 2:11--12. The service was impressively rendered and was enjoyed by all present.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Zephyr, N. C., September 27th, 1900.

The Association re-assembled at 9 a. m. Song and Prayer services were conducted by S. D. Brown who read Psalm CXXII and led in prayer. The journal was read and confirmed.

STATE MISSION REPORT.

"Your Committee on State Missions reports as follows:

The State Mission work has been faithfully and efficiently prosecuted for about 70 years by our Baptist State Convention. This convention was organized, A. D. 1830, by a small representation of the baptist churches of that date, and by the co-operation of the convention and church workers generally. We have now 1605 organized Baptist churches with a grand total of 154,811 members (1899 report.) The phenominal growth has been brought about largely by the efficient work of our State Mission Board. Many destitute fields supplied with preachers and church buildings erected by our State Mission funds, and, in no time since the organiza-

tion of our State convention has there been a time when our funds would do a greater work for our Master's cause than now. We believe that State Missions are the foundation of all other Missions, and when we push State Missions we are aiding every other Mission enterprise, because we are increasing the members and educating those who will be helpers in the near future. For this reason we urge that all give liberally to the Mission cause."

J. I. Dimmette, Committee.

Discussed by J. C. Caddell and C. H. Utley.
Adopted.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

"The committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report the following: That since the true christian spirit is a missionary spirit we should not let the work lag for want of prayers, sympathies and financial aid. The last commission was: 'Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature,' so while we should not neglect the mission work at home, we should not fail to let our lights shine and our power and influence be felt across the great waters and in the dark isles of the sea. And, since the troubles in China and other places are to be deplored, we have wars and rumors of wars. These are only the fulfilling of the scripture. Let us bow in humble submission to a divine hand, and humbly, yet faithfully follow the great command and acquit ourselves of the great responsibility that is resting upon us."

C. H. Stone,
J. H. Lewellyn, } Committee.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

"This department of missions is designed to give the Gospel to those sections in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention which cannot be supplied by the State organization. This embraces, (1) our native population, our own people who for the most part have moved out of the old States to the South and South-West. (2) The Foreign population, the Heathen who have come to make their home in our midst. (3) The negro in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention. (4) The Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico and (5) the Indians. This Board is in the most prosperous condition of its history. Already more than $7,000, has been raised since last December, an increase of more than one hundred

per cent over the amount raised five years ago. The number of Missionaries must be increased, the territory enlarged, and to do this, our churches must increase their contribution to this work. Let each church determine to do more in the coming year, than ever before, for this work.

O. L. Stringfield, Committee.

Discussed by O. L. Stringfield. Adopted.

J. W. Cobb and J. C. Caddell tendered thanks to the people for the interest taken in them and their papers.

NOON.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association reassembled. After singing "Are You Washed in the Blood of the Lamb", the Association was led in prayer by J. W. Bowles, of Elkin.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

"By Temperance is not meant a temperate use of those things which are unnecessary, but the temperate use of necessaries and implies total abstainance from those things which are not necessary, but by use have become beverages. The old Testament is out spoken against drunkeness while the New is plain in its condemnation of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. An old addage says: 'Let whiskey alone and it will let you alone', but this is false. Every christian is not only, duty bound to abstain, but also to use his influence against the use of this awful curse to our State, society, home and the church. Liquors like poisonous serpents inject their poisonous fangs, not only into those who touch them but into all who come within their reach. Liquors rob wives of their husbands, children of their parents, mothers of their sons, daughters of their virtues, society of its blessings, the church of its members and God of his dues."

I. L. Shugart, Committee.

Discussed by I. L. Shugart, J. W. Burchette, J. R. Jolly, A. J. Williams and C. F. Fields. Adopted.

IN MEMORIAM REPORT.

"We your committee are pleased to report that the Lord

has been specially good to us during the last Associational year. Inasmuch as there has not been a single death of any official members of the association. While he has seen fit in His alwise judgement to remove some of our lay members whose deaths have already been reported by the committee on digest of church letters, yet in His mercy he has spared all our official members and left them among us for a purpose best known to Himself.

J. R. Jolly, }
A. J. Williams, } Committee.

Adopted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT.

"We organized Union Meetings at Cool Springs, 5th, Sunday in October last which was interesting and encouraging. We held the next at Pleasant Home, 5th, Sunday in Dec., and the church seemed to be interested very much. Next was held at Rock Creek, 5th, Sunday in May, and your committee was not able to attend. From report of our Missionary, J. E. Johnson, there seemed to be lack of interest. Our next meeting was held at White Plains, 5th, Sunday in July, and owing to the Sunday-School convention being in session there at that time we did not have much time to devote to our meeting, but we were encouraged by the interest manifested. We have received from these meetings from collections and individuals $23.25. Paid out: to J. R. Jolly, $13.25; J. E. Johnson, $10.00 and C. F. Fields, $1.00."

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. Bowles, Sec't'y. Ex. Com.

Adopted.

C. P. Burchette offered the following resolutions:

(1) Resolved, That this association commends the work of the American Bible Publication Society, and that we urge our churches and Sunday-Schools to use its literature and periodicals and contribute to the Missionary department.

(2) Resolved, That the ministers, officers, delegates and all attendant upon this Association, do tender their most heartfelt thanks to the citizens of this community for the many kindnesses shown us and we do severally pray that the unbounded blessings of God rest with you all.

On motion, of J. W. Burchette, the Clerk was instructed to reserve $5.00 out of minute fund, for his ser-

vices and expend remainder for printing and distributing minutes.

A collection was taken for unfinished churches which amounted to $2.57 which was divided between Gum Orchard and Center churches. The Association was led in prayer by C. H. Utley. The audience united in singing "The Unclowded Day" and received the benediction.

C. F. FIELDS, MODERATOR.

C. P. BURCHETTE, CLERK.

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APPENDIX.

LIST OF MINISTERS.

ADAMS, N. H.,	Venable,	N. C.
BARKER, J. H.,	Lomax,	"
BURCHETTE, J. W.,	Roaring River,	"
BURCHAM, G. M.,	Elkin,	"
FIELDS, C. F.,	"	"
GENTRY, S. E.,	Chatam,	"
HUGHS, JOHN	Benham,	"
JOLLY, J. R.,	Lomax,	"
JOHNSON, J. E.,	Elkin,	"
LAFFOON, W. J.,	"	"
MELTON, W. H.,	Zephyr,	"
MYERS, W. W.,	Round Mountain,	"
" A. E.,	"	"
ROLLINS, B. F.,	Elkin,	"
SMITH, J. F.,	Ozark,	"
UTLEY, C. H.,	Elkin,	"
WILLIAMS, A. J.,	Zephyr,	"
WHITLEY, A. E.,	Round Mountain,	"

The above list may not be complete, as the churches failed to report them.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR YEAR 1900.

Received from Finance Committee.

Minute Fund,	$11.73
Ministers' Relief Board,	3.00
Home and Foreign Missions,	4.25
State Missions,	2.80
Orphanage,	8.05
Total,	$29.83

PAID OUT.

Printing Minutes and Postage,	$6.73
Ministers' Relief Board,	3.00
Home and Foreign Mission,	4.25
State Mission,	2.80
Orphanage,	8.05
Clerks Fees,	5.00
Total,	$29.83

Usual Committee to report at Next Association:

Periodicals—C. H. Utley, ...Elkin, N. C.
Education—C. P. Burchette, ...Dimmette, "
State Missions—A. J. Williams, ...Zephyr, "
Home & For'n Miss.—J. I. Dimmette, Dim'tte, "
Temperance—J. W. Burchette, Roaring R., "
Ministerial Relief—G. M. Burcham, Elkin, "
Orphanage—J. R. Jolly, ...Lomax, "
Past'l & Ch'ch Rel't'ns --S. E. Gentry, Ch't'm, "

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The committee on order of business submitted the following:

Thursday, Oct. 31, 1901. 11 a. m. Annual sermon by Rev. S. E. Gentry, of Chatam, N. C.

DINNER.

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1 Organization.
2 Recognition of Correspondents.
3 Report of Correspondents.
4 Appointment of Correspondents and Committees.
5 Report of Committee on Preaching.
6 Committee on Nominations Report.

FRIDAY, 9 a. m. November 1st, 1901.

1 Devotional Exercises.
2 Report of Committee on Ministerial Relief.
3 Report of Pastor and Church Relations.
4 In Memoriam Committee Report.
5 Report of Committee on Periodicals.
6 Sermon 11 A. M.

DINNER.

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1 Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
2 Report of Committee on Education.
3 Report of Committee on Orphanage.
4 Report of Committee on Preaching.
5 Adjournment.

SATURDAY, 9, a. m. November 2nd, 1901.

1 Prayer and Song service, 30 minutes.
2 Report of Committee on State Missions.
3 Report of Executive Committee.
4 Report of Committee on Home & Foreign Mis'ns.
5 Committee on Time, Place and Preacher Report.
6 Sermon, 11 a. m.

DINNER.

1 Report of Committee on Temperance.
2 Miscellaneous work.
3 Report of Committee on Finance.
4 It is the request and expections of this committee that each committee will write a report on the subject opposite his name, and bring up to next Association and be prepared, if possible to make some remarks on the same.

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	Education.	Orphanage.	M'ters Relief.	State. Mis'ns	H & F Mis'ns.
Center	$		1.	1.	
Cool Springs	2.	2.50	2.50	1.	2.
Elkin	8.	10.	2.	15.	10.
Fishing Creek				1.	
Gum Orchard	2.	2.	2.50	1.	2.
Liberty Grove			1.		
Macedonia	2.	5.	2.	5	2.
Mt. Pleasant	1.			1.	
Poplar Springs			1.	.50	
Pleasant Hill		2.	1.	1.	
Pleasant Home	1.	1.	2.	1.	
Rock Creek					
Ronda	1.	1.	1.	1.	
Roaring Gap		1.	1.	1.	
Shoaly Branch			1.	2.	
Union Cross		2.	1.	1.	
White Plains		.50			
PERSONAL PLEDGES.					
J. W. Burchette	1.				
B. W. Snow	1.				
S. E. Gentry		.50			
A. J. Williams			1.		
A. V. Hix			.50		
J. V. Melton				1.	
C. P. Burchette	2.				
Total	$21.00	$27.50	$20.50	$33.50	$16.00

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

PLEASANT HOME CHURCH

Lomax, N. C.

Oct. 2, 3, 4 and 5,

1902

Moderator, C. F. Fields, Elkin, N. C.
Clerk, E. W. Settle, Benham, N. C.

Next session will be held with Pleasant Hill Baptist Church one mile north west of Elkin, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1903.

TIMES JOB OFFICE,
ELKIN, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

LOMAX, N. C.

Thursday, October, 2nd. 1902.

The Twenty-fourth annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association met with Pleasant Home Baptist church today. Singing by the choir, prayer by B. F. Rollins. The introductory sermon was preached by J. W. Burchette. Text, Acts 1: 8.

After intermission the moderator, J. R. Jolly called the association to order and read the first Psalm, prayer by G. M. Burcham. The Clerk being absent the Moderator called E. W. Settle to act as clerk pro tem.

Fourteen churches were represented by letter. The letters were read and delegates enrolled.

C. F. Fields was elected Moderator and E. W. Settle Clerk for the following year.

W. F. Fry of the Baptist Female University and J. S. Kilby and J. T. Byrd of the Stone Mountain Association were welcomed by the Moderator.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On arrangements—J. W. Bowles, Felix Gambill, J. M. Byrd, S. E. Gentry and J. F. Gentry.

On state of church—C. H. Utley and J. M. Dobbins.

On, time, place and Preacher—B. F. Rollins, G. W. Lasiter, J. I. Dimmette and J. R. Jolly.

On nominating and Executive committee—J. W. Burchette and J. N. Burchette.

On Finance—J. B. Burcham and T. M. Edwards.

On Memorium—G. M. Burcham, J. W. Dimmette, J. F. Collins and J. W. Burchette.

On Temperance—W. F Fry and J. F. Burcham.

On Partoral and Church Relations—N. A. Melton and W. E. Parks.

On Religious Exercise—Pastor and Delegates of this Church.

J. W. Burchette and J. F. Gentry reported that they attended the Alleghany and Grayson Association. L. D. Burcham attended the Stone Mountain.

C. H. Utley, J. W. Burchette, J. W. Bowles and J. I. Dimmette attended the Baptist State Convetion. C. H. Utley attended the Southern Baptist Convention.

CORRESPONDENT APPOINTED.

To Brier Creek Association—I. L. Shugart and G. M. Burcham.
To Yadkin— I. L. Shugart and J. W. Dimmette.
To Brushy Mountain—G. M. Burcham and J. N. Burchette.
To Stone Mountain—J. W. Bowles and W. F. Weir.
To Alleghany and Grayson—C. F. Fields and J. R. Jolly.
To Baptist State Convention—J W. Dimmette, W. F. Weir and C. F. Fields.
To the Southern Baptist Convention---C. H. Utley.

John R. Miller of the Baptist Orphanage was recognized and accepted a seat.

Committee on Religious Exercise reported G. M. Burcham to preach to-night and W. F. Fry to-morrow at 11 o'clock. By motion adjourned. Prayer by John R. Miller. Benediction by W. F. Fry.

SECOND DAY.

Friday, Oct. 3rd., 1902.

Morning Session.

Devotional exercises by the Moderator and W. F. Fry.

Three churches handed in letters which were read and the delegates enrolled.

Roll of delegates called and minutes of Thursday's proceedings read and approved.

The Clerk read the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

By motion no man shall speak but once on any one query, the first speaker limited to 15 minutes and others to 10 minutes.

MINISTER'S RELIEF.

We have reasons to be greatly encouraged for the work done through our Ministerial Relief Board during the last year

The Board paid to twenty-two old worn out ministers and their widows $1065.00 last year, there were several applications awaiting the action of the Board. We recommend that the churches of this association make a greater effort than ever before in behalf of these needy brethren.

J. I. DIMMETTE, Com.

Remarks by J. I. Dimmette, C. H. Utly, J. W. Burchette, W. F. Fry, I. L. Shugart and John R. Miller. Report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Elkin association, though quite a distance from our orphanage should take a greater pride in it.

The institution has under its care at present about 213 children. The health of children was excellent last year. Bill for medical attention only about $100.00. The economy displayed in its management is a striking feature of the work. The cost of maintaining a child is $4.75 per month including all expenses.

The shops, the farm, the printing office, and other things all tend to make the training of the little orphans practical as well as theoretical, and aids in defraying the expenses of the institution. They are building a new dormitory which will admit 40 more little fellows in early fall. Hundreds and hundreds of children are scattered over the State uncared for. They are crying for help. Listen! Will we hear them! "In as much as ye did it not unto one of these little ones, ye did it not unto me."

C. P. BURCHETTE, Com.

Remarks by C. P. Burchette, J. R. Miller, J. W. Burchette and W. F. Fry. Report adopted. A collection for the Orphanage, amounted to 4.80.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

To be temperate in the use of that which is good and to totally abstain from that which in any way defiles should be the attitude of Christ's followers.

We are not to be gluttonous. Tobacco is expensive, filthy and injurious. No christian can consistently make, sell, or use intoxicating liquors for other than medicinal purposes. Our Baptist people ought to put themselves on record against intemperance in every form. They should see to it that no man has their support for any public office who is not the avowed and enternal enemy of the whiskey traffic. Our pastors should speak out in no uncertain terms against intemperance, and the churches should retain no man in their fellowship, who is not the enemy of the whiskey business and sober in his own habits.

W. F. Fry, }
J. F. Burcham, } Com.

Remarks by W. F. Fry, C. H. Utly, I. L. Shugart, J. W. Bowles, S. E. Gentry and J. W. Burchette. Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee takes pleasure in reporting that the educational out-look in North Carolina was very encouraging during the past few years.

We urge our people to foster the public schools because they furnish all the education possible to a large number of boys and girls of our country.

Wake Forest College is in a prosperous condition. It is sending out strong, well equipped men who are developing the Baptist Denomination in our State and Nation. The Oxford Seminary for girls and the Chowan Baptist Female Institute are enjoying prosperity and are continuing to do an important work. The Baptist Female University, the best school for girls in the South is now well equipped and is doing a great work. We urge our people to give liberally to help lift the debt of the Uuiversity.

N. A. Melton, Com.

Remarks by N. A. Melton and W. F. Fry. Collection for the Baptist Female University, amounted to $42,71 Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Never before was reading matter so easily obtained as to-day. Our denominational papers are essential factors in the development of our people. A reading christian is a ready christian. An informed christian is a working christian. Intelligence is power.

The Biblical Recorder is one of the strongest religious papers in all the land. The N. C. Baptist is also a good paper. Every home should be supplied with good reading matter.

G. M. Burchum, Com.

Remarks by G. M. Burcham, J. W. Bowles and J. W. Burchette. By motion adjourned. Prayer by C. H. Utley. Benediction by S. E. Gentry.

THIRD DAY.

Saturday, Oct. 4 1902.

Scriptural lesson read by the moderator. Prayer by Elison Myers. Report on Periodicals adopted. By motion there shall be but two speeches on any one query. Grant Cothran of the Stone Mountain Association accepted a seat.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

The relation of Pastor and church is as shepherd and flock. The command of Christ is, Feed my sheep." It is the duty of the pastor, to preach to the people, and visit the members of his church, to talk religion in the home and in every possible way to build up the cause of Christ in the community. He should see that his church is developing along all lines of church work, it is the duty of the church to give to the support of their pastor, for They that preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

Hence we urge that the churches throughout this Association give more bountifully for the support of their pastors.

N. A. Melton, }
W. E. Parks, } Committee.

Remarks by I. L. Shugart, J. W. Bowles and by permission G. M. Burcham. Report adopted.

Your committee on arrangements submit the following report.

1st. Organization. 2nd. Invite correspondents. 3rd. Appointment of committee and correspondents. 4th. Report of correspondents. 5th. Report on Religious Exercises.

FRIDAY.

9 A. M. Devotional Exercises 1st. Ministers Relief Report. 2nd. Pastor and Church Relations. 3rd. Sermon.

DINNER.

1st. Report on Orphanage. 2nd. Periodicals. 3rd. Reports on State of Church. 4th. Report on Religious Exercise.

SATURDAY.

9 A. M. Devotional Exercise. 1st. Report on Education. 2nd. Report on General Mission work. 3rd. Finance Report. 4th. Sermon.

DINNER.

1st. Time, Place and Preacher. 2nd. Report on Memoriam. Miscellaneous.

SUNDAY.

9 A. M. Devotional Exercise. 1st. Report on Temperance. 2nd Sunday School mass meeting. Sermon.

J. W. Bowles
S. E. Gentry
J. M. Byrd
J. F. Gentry
} Committee.

The Nominating Committee named an executive committee for the Association. The report was not adopted. By motion, the association gave the clerk and moderator of this association the power to grant a letter of dismission to any church which may properly ask for it.

Time for the next association, Thursday before the first Sunday in Oct 1903. Place; Pleasant Hill Church 1½ miles north west of Elkin, Preacher B. F Rollins.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. H. Utly
G. W. Laster
J. I Dimmette
} Committee

Committee on Religious Exercise reported that G. M. Burcham preach to-day at 11 o'clock and Grant Cothran tonight.

REPORT ON STATE MISSION.

In Eastern North Carolina we have our greatest destitution. There are three whole counties with only two churches each. These churches are weak and largely supported by the Board North Carolina has more cotton mills than any other State in the Union except Mass., most of these mills are in the central part of the State. Since a majority of opperatives are Baptist, this work should appeal to us as to no other denomination.

The Following summary of work contains interesting statistics.

No. of Missionaries, 125. Persons Baptised, 980. Added by letter, 366. Professed Conversions, 2279 Houses of worship building, 54 Houses completed, 14 Churches organized, 18

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Utley, for Committee

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We met and organized by selecting J. W. Bowles Chairman and J. I Dimmette Secretary. We employed A. J. Williams as Associational Missionary, Bro. Williams has preached once per month for seven months at Union Hill, and we have collected for him $9,91

J. I. Dimmette Sec. Ex Com.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

C. F. Fields,	Elkin, N. C
G. M. Burcham,	" "
C. H. Utley,	" "
S. E. Gentry,	State Road, "
J. R. Jolly,	Lomax, "
J. M. Barker,	" "
J. F. Smith,	Ozark, "
Elison Myers,	Round Mountain, "
W. W. Myers,	" "
A. J. Williams,	Zephyr, "
J. W. Burchette,	Laurel Springs, "
W. M. Harris,	Zephyr, "

OFFICIAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastors	Clerks	Post Offices	Delegates.
Center.	I. G Sisk	W M. McCann	Parks	James H Icomb, B. C. and C. H. Smith, E. W. Settle.
Cool Spring	G. M. Burcham	Felix Gambill	Benham	Felix Gambill, J. Major Lyon,
Elkin.	C. H. Utley	J. W Bowles	Elkin	W. F. Weir B. F. Robbins. I. L. Shugart.
Fishing Creek	M. McNeil	G. W. Miller	Wilkesboro	A Miller, Wm. Mastin G. W. Laster.
Gum Orchard	C. F. Fields	N A. Melton	Zephyr	J. M. Williams, N. A. Melton.
Liberty Grove	W W. Myers	A. Caudill	Wilkesboro	A. Caudill, G. C. Poplin.
Mascedonia	J. J Beach	J. T. Edwards	Ronda	T. M. Edwards, W. E. Parks.
Mt. Pleasant	C. F Fields	A. H. Miller	State Road	A. H Miller.
Poplar Springs	S. E. Gentry	J. F. Burchum	Chatham	J. F. Burcham.
Pleasant Hill	J. R. Jolly	J. B. Burchum	Elkin	J. B. and S. J. Burcham, J. M. Byrd.
Pleasant Home	S. E. Gentry	J N. Burchett	Roaring River	J. N. Burchette, W. F. Edwards.
Rock Creek	W. W. Myers	N. P. Myers	Round Mt.	N. P. Myres, F. I. Roop.
Ronda	J J Beach	Julia Dobbins	Ronda	J. M. Dobbins, Phillip Shore, J. F. Collins.
Roaring Gap	J R. Jolly	J F. Collins	Parks	J. F. Gentry, R. M. Collins and J. C. Spencer.
Shoaly Branch	J. R. Jolly	J. C. Spencer	Benham	L. B. Murry, J. A Darnall.
Union Hill	A. J. Williams	P. M Isaacs	Union Hill	Represented by Letter.
White Plains	G. M. Burcham	W F. Byrd	Roaring River	W. F. and J. H. Alexander, A. J. Blackburn.

Statistical Table.

	Baptized	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Sunday of Meeting	Pastors Salary	Building Expenses	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministers Relief	Other Objects	Minute Funds
Center					1		32	1										.35
Cool Spring	17	2		5	3	3	285	2			1.06				2 00	1.60		1.05
Elkin	5	2		2			155	1		100.	2 00	$20	6 13		8.00	1.00	$75	1.00
Fishing Creek				2			36	1			1.00							.50
Gum Orchard	1			2	8		72	3			.75	4 10			.45	.45		.45
Liberty Grove				15			37	4								1.00		.50
Macedonia	7	1		3	4	4	107	4	$75		2.00	6 60			4.00	8.00	$23	1.00
Mt Pleasant					1		25	3							.50	.50		.50
Poplar Spring				3	1	1	57	3										.50
Pleasant Hill		2		1		2	66	4							.25			.45
Pleasant Home	15		1				89	4			1.75							.85
Rock Creek	5	3	1	2	2	1	150											.55
Ronda		1					24	4	$40		1.42	4 62	4 10	2,50	1582	1.81	4.35	.50
Roaring Gap		1			1		26	3	5.50	201.5					1.00	.50		.90
Shoally Branch							70	1										.40
Union Cross																		
Union Hill								2										.35
White Plains				4	1		80	3										.70

In the Official table the name of E. W. Settle should be with the Cool Spring Delegates. G. W. Lasiter with Gum Orchard, G. C. Poplin with Macedonia, J. M. Byrd with Pleasant Home, J. F. Collins with Roaring Gap and J. C. Spencer with Shoaly Branch. Cool Springs is credited with 2.00 when it should be 1.00 for the Orphanage.

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY - SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

WHITE PLAIN CHURCH,

ROARING RIVER, N. C.,

Sept. 29th and 30th, Oct. 1st and 2nd, 1904.

MODERATOR:

W. W. MYERS, Round Mountain, N. C.

CLERK:

I. G. SISK, Elkin, N. C.

Next Session will be held with Fishing Creek Church, 3½ miles Southeast of Wilkesboro, beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in Oct. 1905.

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PROCEEDINGS.

Roaring River, N. C., Sept. 29th 1904.

The Twenty-Sixth Annual Session of the Elkin Baptist Association met with White Plain Church to-day at 11 o'clock A. M. Introductory sermom by G. M. Burcham, text 1st Cor. 3:11.

Intermission 30 minutes, after which the Association was called to order by the Moderator, who read 1st Psalm. A. E. Myers offered prayer. Letters were called for, 8 were handed in, read, and delegates enrolled. An opportunity was then given newly constituted churches and others who so wished to join the Association. Roaring Gap presented a letter; on motion her letter received and delegates enrolled; the Association then went into election of officers. On motion of R. W. S. Pegram, W. W. Myers, was elected Moderator by acclamation and I. G. Sisk, Clerk.

Correspondents invited, Rev. N. F. Jarvis and Major Foot from Briar Creek accepted seats as visitors.

The following committees were then appointed by the Moderator:

On Arrangements.—G. M. Burcham, A. E. Myers, James Holcomb, J. R. McCann, J. R. Jolly.

Time and Place.—R. W. S. Pegram, I. N. Baugus.

Finance.—W. D. Tucker, E. H. Darnal.

Memorium.—W. N. Alexander, S. J. Burcham.

Temperence.—W. F. Byrd, Major Foot.

Orphanage.—C. F. Darnal, W. M. Jolly.

Missions.—L. D. Burcham, E. H. Parks.

Ministers Relief.—J. Alexander, R. M. Collans.

Pastoral and Church Relation.—W. G. Burcham, G. W. Burcham.

Religious Exercise.—J. A. Darnal, A. E. Myers with delegates of White Plain Church.

Correspondents called on to report. L. D. Burcham, R. W. S. Pegram and A. E. Myers visited Snow Mountain and reported a good and harmonious session.

Committee on religious exercise reported J. R. Jolly to preach to-morrow at 11 A. M.

The following query was handed in from Pleasant Hill Church:

Can we as Baptists recognize a Minister of our Association who publicly declares the records of the Association to be untrue.

Bill of arrangements—meet at 9 A M; adjourn at 11 for preaching; meet at 1; adjourn at will. On motion adjourned. Prayer by I. G. Sisk.

SECOND DAY.—Friday, Sept. 30th, 1904.

MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9 A. M. The Moderator read 15th Psalm. J. S. Kilby offered prayer.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Roll of delegates called, after which the bill of arrangements was read and adopted.

Correspondents invited, Z. T. Bagby from Alleghany and Grayson and J. S. Kilby, of Stone Mountain accepted seats as visitors.

REPORT OF PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION.

We, your committee on Pastoral and Church Relation, submit the following: It is like flock and shepherd and still greater it is like child and parent, for Paul said to Timothy "if a man know not how to rule his own house how shall he take care of the church of God." 1st Timothy 3:5 and we believe it is still greater as the spiritual life is greater than the natural life, so is the spiritual relation greater than the natural relation, which makes a threefold cord which cannot be easily broken. Ecc. 4:12. Then come duties both to the pastor and church, the pastor ought to feed the flock of God on Bible truth and visit his flock and see how they are getting along, and

they ought to see how he is getting along and both be of the same heart and mind.

G. W. BURCHAM, } Committee.
W. G. BURCHAM, }

Remarks by G. M. Burcham and I. G. Sisk. Report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Your committee is glad to report to this Association that the Orphanage is now caring for more children than at any time in its history. We hope the day will soon come when all the orphans will have a comfortable home where they will be cared for and raised up in the way they should go.

W. M. JOLLY, } Committee.
C. F. DARNAL, }

Remarks by G. M. Burcham, J. S. Kilby and I. G. Sisk. Report adopted. A collection for the Orphanage was taken amounting to $4.41.

Correspondence invited. Grant Corthan accepted a seat as visitor. Adjourned for preaching. J. R. Jolly preached from 1st John 2:6. Intermission one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Grant Corthan. Letters called for. Fishing Creek handed in a letter which was read and delegates enrolled.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, beg leave to report that this Association will meet with Fishing Creek Church, 3 miles south-east of Wilkesboro, on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1905, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and Rev. J. R. Jolly preach the introductory sermon.

R. W. S. PEGRAM, } Committee.
Report adopted. I. N. BAUGUS, }

CORRESPONDENTS APPOINTED.

Briar Creek—R. W. S. Pegram, G. M. Burcham and J. R. Jolly.

Yadkin—I. G. Sisk and J. R. Jolly.

Brushy Mountain—A. E. Myers and W. W. Myers.

Stone Mountain—W. G. Burcham, I. G. Sisk and A. E. Myers.

Alleghany and Grayson—R. W. S. Pegram and G. W. Burcham.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Missions, beg leave to submit the following report: The term mission implies a sending forth of the gospel into destitute parts of the world commencing at home. We find that Jesus Christ was sent into the world on a mission to preach his own everlasting gospel and before he had ended his work, he called men to follow him and he give unto them a commission to extend the work of preaching the gospel, and his commission was without bounds. It extends into all the world, and let us persevere in this great work of carrying out the great commission given in Matt. 28:19-20, "go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son and Holy-Ghost teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world." Amen.

L. D. BURCHAM, }
E. H. PARKS, } Committee.

Remarks by L. D. Burcham, A. E. Myers, G. M. Burcham, Grant Corthan, J. T. Byrd and I. G. Sisk. Report adopted.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY.

During the past year I have traveled 154 miles preached 29 sermons and witnessed 8 conversions. I have not been able to donate but one-fourth of my time, owing to pastoral work: have received $4.25. G. M. BURCHAM.

Remarks by G. M. Burcham. Report adopted

On motion churches called on to pledge for support of Missionary for past year: Center, Cool Springs, Fishing Creek, Popular Springs, Pleasant Hill, $1.00; Pleasant

Home, Rock Creek, Shoaly Branch, G. W. Gillam and J. A. Darnal, 50cts; White Plain, $1.00, paid.

On motion a missionary be appointed to preach in destitute places. Remarks by G. M. Burcham and A. E. Myers.

On motion G. M. Burcham and A. E. Myers appointed as missionaries in this Association.

Committee on religious exercises report I. G. Sisk to preach to-night, W. W. Myers to-morrow at 11 A. M.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee on Education submit the following: While we believe in higher education, we urge our people to a greater interest in educating our children by sending them to school and whenever we can send them to College do so, and we recommend Wake Forest and the Baptist Female University, both of which are doing a great and good work for education and we recommend that the parents place good literature in the hands of their children such as the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and North Carolina Baptist also the American Baptist Flag and good books.

R. W. S. PEGRAM, Z. T. BAGBY, } Committee.

Remarks by R. W. S. Pegram and Major Foot. Report adopted.

On motion adjourned, prayer by R. W. S. Pegram. I. G. Sisk preached at night, text Ezekiel 9:11.

THIRD DAY—Saturday, Oct. 1st 1904.

The Association met at 9 o'clock A. M. Devotional exercises by A. E. Myers. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The following resolution was adopted:

In view of the fact that in the great plan of salvation God has linked us all together, and as others have been instrumental in bringing us to Christ so God would use us

as instruments to carry the good news of salvation to those who have it not,

And, Whereas, the Lord has called from among us men to go into the distant parts of the world to preach the unsearchable riches of the gospel of Christ and as the support of these men while thus laboring depends entirely upon the free-will offering of God's people,

And, Whereas, the Lord has placed under our care over 300 little children whose fathers and mothers have been called into eternity; and for the forming and building of whose characters we are responsible,

And, Whereas, God has left among us some aged and infirm ministers whose lives have been spent in his service among us,

Therefore be it resolved by this Association now in session that we earnestly request each church in this Association to make a contribution during the next year for the three different objects above mentioned.

REPORT ON MINISTERS RELIEF.

We, your committee on Ministers Relief, submit the following: There is but one aged and infirm minister in our Association and his condition should arouse our sympathy. Bro. W. M. Harris is blind and his support largely depends upon the free-will offering of the people. We your committee would earnestly beseech you to liberally support this old saint in his declining years.

R. M. Collins, } Committee.
J. Alexander, }

Remarks by R. W. S. Pegram and I. G. Sisk. Report adopted. A contribution was taken for brother Harris amounting to $7.37.

Adjourned for preaching. Rev. A. E Myers preached. Text, Acts 8:35.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Major Foot. On motion, 10 o'clock, A. M., Sunday, set apart for the 100th anniversary of White Plains Church.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to report the most important question at issue in the present political campaign in N. C., is the saloon. The religious papers of the State and many of the secular papers are urging the christian people and the good citizens to aid in ridding this great evil from our midst. We are called upon now to say which side we are on in this great question. We therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolued, first, that we are in favor of the Constitutional Amendment to abolish the saloon to be submitted to the people.

Resolved, second, that this Association is in favor of voting for good and sober men for office and who are opposed to the liquor traffic irrespective of political parties.

JAMES H. FOOT, }
W. F. BYRD, } Committee.

Remarks by Major Foot, R. W. S. Pegram and A. E. Myers. Report adopted.

REPORT ON MEMORIUM.

We, your Committee on Memorium, beg leave to report the following: Another year has passed since your committee reported on memorium, and again no special changes have been made during the past year for which our hearts go out in gratitude to the father of mercies for his loving kindness in preserving our lives to the present time. Therefore having no special change to report we would call your attention to the erection of a monument in memory of brother Hughs who spent the best years of his life preaching among us and whose body now lies in Cool Spring Cemetery without anything to mark his grave.

W. N. ALEXANDER, }
S. J. BURCHAM, } Committee.

Remarks by G. M. Burcham and I. G. Sisk. Report adopted. On motion J. R. McCann and L. D. Burcham were appointed to aid committee in erecting a monument.

The following resolution was offered: We, the Elkin Association, now in session advise our churches to go back

to the old landmarks and use stricter discipline than heretofore. Remarks by R. W. S. Pegram, L. D. Burcham, W. W. Myers. Adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following: For minute fund $7.65. Report adopted.

E. H. DARNALL, W. D. TUCKER, } Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON QUERIES.

We, your Committe, submit the following on queries: We cannot recognize a minister who publicly declares the records of the Association to be untrue and we advise this Association to withdraw fellowship from any such minister.

G. M. BURCHAM, A. E. MYERS, JAMES HOLCOMB, J R. MCCANN, J. R. JOLLY, } Committeee.

Committee on religious exercise reported W. W. Myers preach to-night and G. M. Burcham to-morrow at 11 A. M.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved that we hereby tender our sincere thanks to this church and community for their kind hospitality to this Association. On motion adjourn to time and place of next meeting.

W. W. MYERS, Moderator.
I. G. SISK, Clerk.

J. R. Jolly preached at night. Text, Exodus 32:9.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1904.

A large congregation met at 10 A. M. Devotional exercises by J. R. Jolly. Centennial address by Major Foot, at the close of which a collection was taken for widow Hughs amounting to $4.19 after which G. M. Burcham preached on the greatness of God. Text, John 10:29.

Prayer by Bro. Burchet. A collection was taken for minute fund as follows: R. W. S. Pegram, $1.00; L. D. Burcham, 25c; G. M. Burcham, 25c; S. J. Burcham, 25c; J. I. Dimittee, 05c.

The congregation sang "God be with you till we Meet Again." Benediction by A. E. Myers.

Thus ended another very pleasant session of the Elkin Association.

Ordained Ministers.

G. M. Burcham, ... Elkin, N. C.
I. G. Sisk, ... Elkin, "
S. E. Gentry, ... State Roads, "
J. R. Jolly, ... Elkin, "
J. M. Barker, ... Lomax, "
J. F. Smith, ... Ozark, "
Elison Myers, ... Round Mountain, "
W. W. Myers, ... Round Mountain, "
W. M. Harris, ... Zephyr, "
L. B. Murry, ... Benham, "

Official Table.

CENTER—Pastor, J. N. Barker; Clerk, W. M. McCann; Postoffice, Parks, N. C. Delegates, A. C. Phillips, James Holcomb and W. M. McCann.

COOL SPRINGS—Pastor, G. M. Burcham; Clerk, Felix Gambill; Postoffice, Benham. Delegates, E. W. Darnall, W. D. Tucker and Felix Gambill.

FISHING CREEK—Pastor, M. McNeill; Clerk, G. W. Miller; Postoffice, Cowles. Delegates, Alexander Miller, Alexander Foster and Sanford Jarvis.

POPULAR SPRINGS—Pastor, J. N. Barker; Clerk, J. F. Burcham; Postoffice, Chatham. Delegates, J. F. Burcham, J. A. Chipman and J. Z. Adams.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, W. W. Myers; Clerk, J. B. Burcham; Postoffice, Elkin, N. C. Delegates, J. B.

Burcham, G. F. Couch, H. Mathis and S. J. Burcham.

PLEASANT HOME—Pastor, S. E. Gentry; Clerk, W. F. Edwards; Postoffice, Roaring River. Delegates, W. G. Burcham, W. M. Jolly, C. F. Darnall and W. M. Gentry.

ROCK CREEK - Pastor, A. T. Pardieu; Clerk, J. N. Bauguss, Postoffice, Knottsville. Delegates, W. M. Alexander, D F. Sebastin and I. N. Bauguss.

SHOALY BRANCH—Pastor, J. W. Brown; Clerk, J. C. Spencer; Postoffice, Benham. Delegates, J. A. Darnell, H. F. Tolbert, G. W. Gillam and S. A. Johnson.

WHITE PLAINS—Pastor, G. M. Burcham; Clerk, W. F. Byrd; Postoffice, Roaring River. Delegates, R. W. S. Pegram, W. F. Alexander, W. F. Byrd and E. H. Parks.

ROARING GAP—Pastor, Grant Corthan; Clerk, J. S. Collins; Postoffice, Parks. Delegates, J. R. McCann, R. M. Collins and J S. Collins.

Statistical Table.

CENTER--Baptised, none; by letter, none; dismissed, none; total membership, 30; time of preaching, 1st Sunday. Minute fund, 50cts.

COOL SPRINGS—Baptised, none; received by letter, one; received by recommendation, 7; dismissed by letter, 14; excluded, none; deceased, 3; total in fellowship, 247. Minute fund, $1.15; time of preaching, 2nd Sunday.

FISHING CREEK—Baptised, none; received by letter, none; excluded, none; restored, none; died, 1; total membership, 50; time of preaching, 1st Sunday. Minute fund, 50cts.

POPULAR SPRINGS—Baptised, none; received by letter, none; received by application, one; dismissed by letter, none; excluded, none; died, none; total membership 64; time of preaching 3rd Sunday. Minute fund, 55cts.

PLEASANT HILL—Baptised, 15; received by letter, 3; received by application, 1; dismissed, 3; excluded, 1; died, 1; total membership, 83; time of preaching, 4th Sunday. Minute fund, 65cts.

PLEASANT HOME--Baptised, 3; received by letter, 2; restored, none; dismissed by letter, 2; excluded, 1; died, 1; total in fellowship, 82; time of preaching, 4th Sunday. Minute fund, 80cts.

ROCK CREEK--Baptised, 14; received by letter, 7; received by application, 4; dismissed by letter, none; excluded, 1; died, 1; total in fellowship, 173; time of preaching, 2nd Sunday. Minute fund, 65cts.

SHOALY BRANCH--Baptised, none; received by letter, 2; dismissed by letter, none; total in fellowship, 98; time of preaching, 3rd Sunday. Minute fund, 70cts.

WHITE PLAINS--Baptised, 5; received by letter, none; dismissed by letter, none; restored, 1; excluded, 2; died, 1; total in fellowship. 83; time of preaching, 3rd Sunday. Minute fund, $1 05.

ROARING GAP—Baptised, none; received by letter, none; dismissed by letter, 1; died, none; received by application, 2; total membership, 37; time of preaching, 2nd Sunday. Minute fund, $1.00.

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

FISHING CREEK CHURCH,

Cowles, N. C.,

Sept. 28th. 29th, 30th, and Oct. 1st, 1905.

Moderator, W. W. MYERS, Round Mountain, N. C.
Clerk, I. G. SISK, Elkin, N. C.

Next Session will be held with Roaring Gap Church 5 miles East of Trap Hill, on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1906.

ELKIN, N. C.
TIMES OFFICE
1905.

PROCEEDINGS.

Cowles, N. C., Sept. 28, 1905.

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Session of the Elkin Baptist Association met with Fishing Creek Church to-day at 12 o'clock M. Introductory sermon by I. G Sisk, text Genesis 45-24.

Intermission 10 minutes, after which the Association was called to order by the Moderator, who read 23 Psalm. J. R Jolly offered prayer. Letters were called for, 10 were handed in, read and delegates enrolled. An opportunity was then given newly constituted churches that wished to join the Association. None being present, the Association went into the election of officers. On motion of R. W. S. Pegram, W. W. Myers was elected Moderator by acclamation and I. G. Sisk, Clerk.

The following committees were then appointed:

On Arrangements—J. R. Jolly, J. R. McCann, G. M. Woodruff, L. D. Burcham, G. M. Burcham.

Time and Place—R. M. Collins, W. M. Jolly.

Finance—R. W. S. Pegram, R. F. Walls.

Memorium—C. F. Darnal, Alex Miller.

Temperance—G. B. James, W. M. Sebastian.

Orphanage—W. C, Gilliam, S. J. Burcham.

Missions—D. R. Edwards, G. A. Burcham.

Pastoral and Church Relation—G. M. Burcham, J. W. Welborn.

Religious Exercise—J. R. McCann, with delegates of Fishing Creek Church.

Minister's Relief—I. G. Sisk, Uriah Miller.

Correspondents called on to report. W. W. Myers visited Stone Mountain Association; reported a good and harmonious session. G. M. Burcham, R. W. S, Pegram, J. R. Jolly visited Brier Creek. Report a pleasant session.

Correspondents invited, D R. Edwards, and J. M. Welborn from Brushy Mountain Association accepted seats.

Bill of Arrangements—Meet at 9 A. M; adjourn at eleven for preaching: meet at 1; adjourn at will.

Committee on religious exercises report G. M. Burcham to preach to-night, W. W. Myers to-morrow at eleven. On motion adjourned. Prayer by R. W. S. Pegram.

G. M. Burcham preached to-night from Prov. 6-16.

SECOND DAY—Friday, Sept. 29th. 1905.

MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9 A. M. Rev. J. Smith offered prayer. Letters called for, Center handed in one which was received and delegates enrolled.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved, roll of delegates called. Correspondents invited, Rev. S. S. Goforth from Brier Creek and Rev. A T. Pardue from Brushy Mountain Association accepted seats.

REPORT ON CHURCH AND PASTORIAL RELATION.

We, your committee on Church and Pastoral Relation, submit the following: The pastor and church is like the father and child. As the child is like the father by relation, so is the church like the pastor; the spiritual relation makes them so. It is also like husband and wife whose interest are the same, so the spiritual interest, belief and doctrine of the church should be the same.

G. M. BURCHAM, }
I. W. WELBORN, } Committee.

Remarks by G. M. Burcham, I. G. Sisk, and R. W. S. Pegram. Report adopted.

Prayer by S. S. Goforth. Adjourned for preaching. W. W. Myers preached from Judges 7-21. Prayer by R. W. S. Pegram. Intermission one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by A. T. Pardue. A collection was taken to complete the erection of a monument to the memory of Rev. John Hughes amounting to $1.44.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE:

We, your committee on Time and Place beg leave to report that the next session of this association will be held with Roaring Gap Church, 5 miles east of Trap Hill, on Thursday before the 1st Sunday in October, 1906, at 11 o'clock A. M. and Rev. J. R. Jolly to preach the Introductory sermon.

W. M. JOLLY, B. M. COLLINS, } Committee

Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE:

We, your committee on Temperance report as follows: We believe that the use of intoxicating liquors to an excess is the greatest evil in our country to-day. For this reason we would heartily recommend that our churches advise their members to abstain from this great evil.

T. B. JAMES, W. M. SEBASTIAN, } Committee

Report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Your committee on Orphanage beg leave to report that the Orphanage is a great institution in which the children can be trained in the way they should go.

And we recommend that the churches of this association get up donations and send direct to the Orphanage at Thomasville.

W. C. Gilliam,
S. J. Burcham,
Committee.

Remarks by R. W. S. Pegram and I. G. Sisk. Report adopted.

Committee on religious exercises report J. R. Jolly to preach to-night, A. T. Pardue to-morrow. Adjourned. Prayer by G. M. Burcham. J. R. Jolly preached at night from John 7-17.

THIRD DAY—Saturday, September 30, 1905.

MORNING SESSION.

Association met at 9 A. M., Rev. M. McNeil read 23 and 24 division of Psalms and offered prayer. Correspondents invited; Rev. M. McNeil from Brushy Mountain Association accepted a seat as a visitor.

REPORT ON MEMORIUM:

Rev. A. E. Myers departed this life July 25, 1905, aged 81 years. He was born in Iredell county, N. C., and professed faith in Christ when about 30 years old. Joined Vernon Church in Iredell county, about 40 years ago. He began preaching the gospel. He moved to Wilkes county, N. C., and joined Covenant church, and later joined Rock Creek of which he remained a member until death; he also continued an earnest minister of the gospel. He leaves 8 children and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. His church has lost one of her faithful members. Though he is not here, yet he lives here in our memory and will for time to come.

Though he be dead yet he speaketh. His life and his talk invites and says come on brother, come up higher. His work is done, he rests from his labor, but his work will follow and will bring in the sheaves. "Well done good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful in a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.

C. F. Darnall,
Alex Miller,
Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF.

Your committee on Ministers Relief submit the following: It seems to be the will of the Lord to call poor men to preach His gospel; Amos 7-14, Matt. 3-4, and to be obedient to the commands of his Lord, the faithful servant has no time to make provisions for old age; hence we find many old servants of God whose condition in life should appeal to our sympathy; but we have one of these in our own Association, to wit: Rev. W. M. Harris, who has faithfully served the churches in this Association, but now being blind and deprived of the blessing that we so much enjoy, therefore we would ask this association to go to the rescue of this old saint.

I. G. Sisk,
Uriah Miller,
Committee.

Remarks by I. G. Sisk, Uriah Miller, and G. M. Burcham, after which a collection was taken for Bro. Harris, amounting to $2.87. Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching, prayer by J. R. Jolly. Rev. A. T. Pardue preached from Rev. 1-3. Intermission one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by G. M. Burcham.

RFPORT ON MISSIONS.

We, your committee on Missions report the following: The primitive christians were not only bidden to go into all the world and preach but they were told where to go, "ye shall be witnesses of me both in Jerusalem and Judea and unto the uttermost parts of the earth;" and as our Jerusalem is our community and association, so our Judea is North Carolina. And witnessing in it is what we call State Missions. Notwithstanding the fact that our Baptist army in North Carolina is a mighty host, there are yet large sections of the state that are destitute and numbers of weak and struggling churches must have liberal and immediate aid, or decline and disband. In these needy fields we have more than a hundred missionaries and their labors are being blessed by the Lord in the upbuilding of our cause throughout the state. It is desired and urged that all our churches make an advance in their pledges for State Missions. During recent years there has been among us a remarkable advance in missionary enthusiasm and contributions, and now there is special need not only that we should give largely, but that we should also pray the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth more laborers.

D. R. EDWARDS,
G. M. BURCHAM,
Committee.

Remarks by G. M. Burcham, I. G. Sisk, M. McNeil and A. T. Pardue. Report adopted.

Committee on religious exercise report: I. G. Sisk to preach to-night and G. M. Burcham to-morrow. The following resolution of thanks was adopted:

Resolved that this Association tender its thanks to this church and community for the kind hospitality shown us during our stay among them.

CORRESPONDENTS APPOINTED.

Brier Creek—G. M. Burcham, J. R. Jolly.
Brushy Mountain—I. G. Sisk, G. M. Burcham, W. W. Myers.
Stone Mountain—I. G. Sisk, J. R. Jolly.

On motion adjourn until time and place of next meeting. Prayer by M. McNeil. Benediction by I. G. Sisk.

W. W. Myers, Moderator.
I. G. Sisk, Clerk.

SUNDAY, OCT. 1, 1905.

A large congregation met at 10 A. M., G. M. Burcham read 116 Psalm, M. McNeil offered prayer. A motion by R. W. S. Pegram to instruct the churches to take a collection for the purpose of raising money to erect a monument to the memory of Bro. Elison Myers was received. Remarks by R. W. S. Pegram and I. G, Sisk, Adopted,

A collection for the orphanage was taken up amounting to $7.00, after which G. M. Burcham preached to a large and attentive audience.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

G. M. Burcham,	Elkin, N. C.
I. G. Sisk,	" "
J. R. Jolly,	" "
J. M. Barker,	Lomax, "
J. F. Smith,	Ozark, "
W. W. Myers,	Round Mountain, "
W. M. Harris,	Zephyr, "
L. B. Murry,	Benham, "
Jones Carter,	Laurel Branch, "

OFFICIAL TABLE.

CENTER—Pastor, J. N. Barker; Clerk, W. M, McCann; Postoffice, Trap Hill, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1. Delegates, W. M.

McCann, J. F. Smith and A. A. Parks.

COOL SPRINGS—Pastor, G. M. Burcham; Clerk, Felix Gambil; Postoffice, Benham. Delegates, W. M. Tucker, R. L. Walls, and E. H. Darnall.

Fishing Creek—Pastor, M. McNeil; Clerk, Uriah Miller Postoffice, Cowles. Delegates. G. M. Miller, J. P. Anderson, and William Mastin.

POPULAR SPRINGS—Pastor, J. N. Barker; Clerk, J. F. Burcham; Postoffice, Chatham.

PLEASANT HILL—Pastor, W. W. Myers; Clerk, J. B. Burcham; Postoffice, Elkin. Delegates, R. E. Burcham, S. J. Burcham and W. C. Gilliam.

PLEASANT HOME—Pastor, J. W. Bryant; Clerk, W. F. Edwards; Postoffice, Roaring River. Delegates, W. M. J olly, C. T. Darnall, G. A. Burcham.

ROCK CREEK—Pastor A. T. Pardue; Clerk, I. N. Bauguss; Postoffice, Knotsville, N. C. Delegates, W. M. Sebastian, W. N. Alexander, I. N, Bauguss.

White Plains—Pastor, L. B. Murry; Clerk, W. F. Byrd, P. O. Roaring River. Delegates, R. W. S, Pegram, W. F. Byrd, E, H. Parks.

ROARING GAP—Pastor, J. R. Jolly; Clerk, J. S. Collins: Postoffice, Parks. Delegates, J. F. Collins, J. R. McCann, R. M. Collins.

LIBERTY GROVE—Pastor, W. T. Comer; Clerk, Abner Caudell; Postoffice, Roaring River. Delegates, David Mahaffy, Osco Emerson, John Barker.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CENTER—Baptized, none; received, none; dismissed none; died, one; total membership, 29; minute fund, 40 cents; time of preaching, 1st Sunday.

COOL SPRINGS—Baptized, 11; received by letter, 5; restored, 1; dismissed by letter, 11; deceased, 3; membership, 250; time of preaching 3nd Sunday; minute fund, $1.15.

FISHING CREEK—Baptized, none; received by letter, none; membership, 50; time of preaching, 1st Sunday; minute fund, 65 cents.

POPULAR SPRINGS—Baptized, one; died one; dismissed by letter, 5; membership, 59; time of preaching, 3rd Sunday; minute fund, 70 cts.

PLEASANT HILL—Baptized, 4; received by letter, two; by application, one; membership, 87; time of preaching, 4th Sunday; minute fund, $1.35.

PLEASANT HOME—Baptized, 3; received by letter, 3; dismissed by letter 3; membership, 86; time of preaching, 4th Sunday; minute fund, $1.35.

ROCK CREEK—Baptized none; dismissed by letter, 5; died, one; membership, 167; time of preaching, 2nd Sunday.

WHITE PLAINS—Baptized none; excluded one; membership, 82; time of preaching, 3rd Sunday.

ROARING GAP—Baptized, none; dismissed by letter, 2; membership, 35; time of preaching, 2nd Sunday; minute fund, $1.00.

LIBERTY GROVE—Baptized 6; received by letter, two, restored 1; dismissed by letter, 2; died 1; time of preaching, 4th Sunday; minute fund, 65 cts.

MINUTE FUND.

Amount received for printing minutes $8.85; paid for printing minutes $8.00; Clerk's services $3.00; postage .35; total $11.35. Balance due on minutes $3.00. Let the churches send in a larger amount for minutes, also enough to pay this deficit.

I. G. SISK, Clerk.

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October 4, 5, 6 And 7,

1906.

Rev. W. W. Myers, Moderator.
T. C. DeBorde, Clerk.

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PROCEEDINGS.

TRAPHILL, N. C., OCT. 4, 1906.

The 28th annual session of the Elkin Baptist Assoeiation met with Roaring Gap Baptist church 12 m. Introductory sermon by S. F. Thompson. Text, Rom. 13: 11—14

Intermission of 25 minutes.

The association was called to order by the Moderator who read the 15th Psalm. Prayer by F. Simmons.

On motion elected T. C. Deborde Clerk Protem. Letters were called for. Eight were handed and read and delegates enrolled. Then on motion effected a permanent organization by electing Rev. W. W. Myers Moderator and T. C. Deborde Clerk for the ensuing year. On motion authorized the Moderator to make all temporary appointments.

The following committees were then appointed:—

Arrangements—G. M. Burcham, L. D. Burcham, J. R. McCann, J. F. Gentry, W. M. Sebastian. The Moderator, Clerk, correspondents and visitors to sit with them.

Time and Place—W. G. Burcham, R. M. Collins.

Finance—N. P. Myers, J. Z. Adams.

Orphanage—H. J. Carter, F. Simmons.

Temperance—J. A. Darnall, J. M. Tucker.

Memoriam—J. F Collins, W. M. Gentry.

Missions—S. F. Thompson, T. C. Deborde.

Pastoral and Church relations—Wm. McCann, C. M. Burcham.

Religious Exercise—L. D. Burcham with delegates of this church.

Minister's Relief—W. A. Hudspeth, Wm. Edwards.

Called on correspondents to report

G. M. Burcham visited the Briar Creek. L. D. Burcham visited the Stone Mountain and reported a good session.

Invited correspondents and visiting brethren. L. D. Burcham, of Elkin, Granville Gentry, of Stone Mountain, and Rev. S. F. Thompson, of the Baptist State Convention accepted seats as visitors.

Bill of Arangements Meet at 9 a. m. Adjourn at 11 for preaching. Meet at 1 p. m. Adjourn at will.

Committee on Religious Exercise Report. Levi McCann to preach to-night. Jones Carter tomorrow at 11 a. m On motion, adjourned. Levi McCann preached at night, from the 1st Kings 18 21. "How long halt ye between two opinions?"

Second Day, Friday, Oct. 5, 1906

The Association met according to arrangements. Religious exercise conducted by G. M. Burcham who read the 116th Psalm and offered prayer. Committee of Arrangements report. Report read and adopted. The Moderator appointed a committee on periodicals; viz., Wm. Mastin, A. C. Philips. Letters called for. Fishing Creek delegates handed in a letter which was read.

Read Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Invited correspondents and visiting brethren. Brother J. S. Kilby, of Stone Mountain, accepted a seat. Letters called for. Popla Springs handed in one which was read.

Appointed correspondents as follows:—

Stone Mountain—L D. Barcham, J. R McCann, H. J. Carter, W M. Sebastian

Briar Creek—Wm. Mastin, G M. Burcham.

Alleghany and Grayson—J. R. McCann, H. J. Carter, W. W Myers.

Adjourned for preaching. Prayer by H. J. Carter. Sermon by H. J. Carter. Text, Luke 17: 26. "As it was in the days of Noe so shall it be also in the days of the coming of the Son of man."

Afternoon Session.

Singing by the choir. Prayer by J. S Kilby.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

Your committee on Pastoral and Church Relations begs lief to report The reaction sustained is that they are brethren, and that relation hold good while the Pastor serves the church and afterwards, and those who are converted and join under his ministry, are his spiritual children: Timothy 1: 2. Titus 1: 4, So you see the relation is very close and should be respected as such.

G. M. Burcham.
Wm. McCann.
Committee.

Remarks by G. M. Burcham and S. F. Thompson.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The orphanage is a great instiution for protection and care of children who have no one to care for them. We read in God's word to "train up a child in the way it should go" And we ask the churches of this Aasociation to get up donations and send them to the Orphanage at Thomasville, North Carolina.

H. J. Carter.
S. F. Simmons.
Committee.

Spoken on by H. J. Carter, G. M. Burcham and S. F. Thompson. Adopted.

At this juncture, the Pleasant Hill delegates handed in a letter.

Then took pledges as follows from the following churches:—

Poplar Springs, $1.00; Cool Springs, 1.00; Pleasant Hill, 1.00; Center, 1.00; Union Hill, .50.

MINISTER'S RELIEF

It seems to be the will of the Lord to call poor men to preach His gospel, and to be obedient to the commands of his Lord. The faithful servant has no time to make provisions for old age. Hence we find many old servants of God whose conditions in life should appeal to our sympathy. But we have one in our association, to wit; Rev. W. M. Harris, who has faithfully served the churches in this association. But now being blind and deprived of the blessings we so much enjoy. Therefore we would ask this association to go to the rescue of this old saint of God, and contribute to him liberally.

W. F. Edwards.
Committee.

Remarks by H. J. Carter, Levi McCann, G. M. Burcham. Adopted. Took up a collection amounting to $6.30 to Rev. Wm. Harris.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We your committee offer the following:—

This is a day of reading, and we urge our people to be careful of the trashy literature that is flooding our country, and poisoning the minds of

our young people. We reccommend all to read the Bible more, also our denominational papers, viz: the Biblical Recorder and North Carolina Baptist. Most respectfully submitted.

W M Mastin.
A C Phillips
Committee.

Remarks by J. S. Kilby and S. F. Thompson.

Prayer by Levi McCann.

Committee on Religious Exercise report G M Burcham to preach to night and W. W. Myers, to-morrow at 11 o'clock. Adjourned.

G. M. Burcham preached at night from St. Mark 1: 1, 2, 3.

Saturday Morning, Oct 6 1906

Devotional exercise conducted by Levi McCann, who read the 34th Psalm and offered prayer. Appointed correspondents to the Brushy Mountain association viz; L D. Burcham and W. W. Myers. Invited correspondents Rev S S Goforth from the Briar Creek association accepted a seat G M Burcham offered the following resolution, viz: We advise the churches in this association to always give a month's notice before acting on all matters of importance Adopted

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We your committee on Temperance beg lieve to report the following That we should abstain from engaging in revelry and drunkenness, or anything that would hinder the up-building of Christ's Kingdom. We heartily reccommend that our churches advise their members to abstain from these great evils.

J. A Darnall.
J M Tucker.
Committee

Remarks by G M. Burcham, J Z. Adams, T. C Deborde and W W. Myers. Adopted.

Adjourned for preaching Prayer by the clerk. Sermon by W. W Myers. Text, 2nd Cor. 10: 4. "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal: But are mighty through God, to the pulling down of the strongholds of Satan."

Afternoon Session

Association called to order. Prayer by Rev. S. S. Goforth.

Committee on time and place report as follows: Time, Thursday before the 4th Sunday in October. 1907. Place, Mt. Pleasant. Report adopted

Committee on finance report as follows: Received for minute funds from the different churches $12.22. Referred the report on missons till tomorrow morning.

Instructed the Clerk to have 300 copies of these minutes printed and distributed, as usual, and allow the Clerk $3 00 for his services.

Roaring Gap church asked for a letter of dismission, which was granted.

G. M. Burcham offered the following resolution:—

Resolved: That this Association tender its thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends for their kindness and liberal support of the Association during this session. We ask the Lord's blessings to be with you all. Adopted.

Committee on Religious Exercise report S. S. Goforth to preach to night, G M. Burcham to-morrow at 11

On motion, the Association adjourned to time and place Benediction by G. M. Burcham.

Sunday Morning, October 7, 1906.

Singing by the choir. Prayer by Levi McCann.

Rev. S F. Thompson read report on Missions as follows:—

The fifteen Southern states are included in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention. The contribution to Foreign Missions last year was about $315,248. We are now sustaining missions in many Pagan and Papal lands. Home Missions $190,131 30. Its field includes the Frontiers, Indians, Cuba and other Romanized sections of our Southland. State Missions (last year's contributions) $3[illegible],000. Total amount paid on these Mission Fields $39,640.41. Conversions, 2,374; Baptisms, 1,460; 49 houses of worship building and 19 finished More substantial progress is being made this year (which closes the first of December) than ever before. The opportunities for State Missions were never so great as they are to-day. Will not the churches of this association contribute as they have ability? to carry forward this great work of evangelizing their own state. Shall we not do our part nobly and show a patriotic love for our state, as well

as the Baptist cause (which is the cause of Christ) in our beloved North Carolina.

Resolved: 1st. That any member of this body who attends the Convention at its session at Greensboro December 6, 1906, is the authorized messenger of this association to that body.

2nd. Any messenger who has it in his or her heart to make a contribution to State Missions will be given an opportunity to do so.

3rd. That we will pray for our Missions and Missionaries in Foreign lands and the Home field, and that the Moderator now lead us in prayer for the success of the cause of Missions.

Respectfully submitted by

S. F. Thompson.
T. C. Deborde.
Committee.

Spoken to by S. F. Thompson.

Took up a collection for State Missions amounting to $1.05 which has now been forwarded by the Clerk to the State Board at Raleigh.

Remarks on Sunday Schools by G. M. Burcham and S. F Thompson. Adopted.

Prayer by J. F Simmons. G. M. Burcham preached from Psalm 19: 1, 2, 3. Then took collection as follows: For Orphanage $1.0[illegible] For Old Brother Harris, $1.00.

Benediction by Levi McCann.

T. C. Deborde, Clerk.
W. W. Myers, Moderator.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Wm. Harris,	Zephyr,	N. C.
W. W. Myers,	Round Mountain,	"
G. M Burcham,	Elkin,	"
I. G. Sisk,	Winston,	"
J. M. Parker,	Lomax,	"
J. F. Smith,	Ozark,	"
H. J. Carter,	Laurelbranch,	"
Levi McCann,	Traphill,	"
S. F. Simmons,	State Road,	"
John Burcham, Licentiate,	Roaring River,	"

ENROLLMENT OF DELEGATES

Center—A. C. Phillips, C. H. Johnson, W M. McCann.
Cool Springs—Luther Pettijohn, J. M. Tucker, Martin Tucker,
Fishing Creek—Wm. Mastin, S. B. Foster.
Mt. Pleasant—J. H. Miller, R J. Carter, W. A. Hudspeth.
Pleasant Home—W M Gentry, W. G Burcham, W. F. Edwards.
Pleasant Hill—S J. Burcham, W C Gilliam, R. E Burcham.
Shoaly Branch—J A. Darnall.
Poplar Springs—J. Z Adams, J. F Burcham.
Roaring Gap—J. F. Collins, J. R. McCann. C. C Deborde.
Rock Creek—W. M Sebastian, N. P. Myers
Union Hill—Henry Norman.

CONSTITUTION.

1 This Association shall be known as the Elkin Baptist Association, and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches; each church being entitled to three delegates, and all regular ordained ministers as members ex officio.

2 The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom upon earth.

3 The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church a letter certifying their appointments, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof.

4 The Association just formed shall elect, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall continue in office for one year, and untill others are chosen The last two offices may be held by the same individual.

5 It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each session; to decide questions of order, subject to an appeal of the house by any member and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office

6 It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceedings of each session of the Association;and keep a minute of each session and to perform other duties assigned to him by the Association.

7 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record

of all the funds coming into his hands and report the same at the order of the Association.

8 There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five members, besides the Moderator and Clerk.

9 All letters or grievances or querries. together with all letters from corresponding associations requiring any attention thereon shall be submitted to the Committee on Arrangements. and reported back to the Association.

10 This body shall have no coersive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage. but shall only be considered as advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulations of the churches

11 When an offense may have been committed by one church against another. or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the Association (after due labors have been had between the offending and the offended churches, or an individual church, as the case be, to take the matter into consideration and advise upon it.

12 The Association shall not maintain permanent fellowship towards any of her churches which neglect to institute and preserve Gospel order among their members. nor any of her churches or ministers that treat her constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence, such as promote Gospel principles and order.

13 It shall be the province of this Association to invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

14 The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constitution) be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the Association, except in extraordinary cases.

15 Each church having an ordained or licensed minister shall report the same to the Association in order that they may appear as such on the face of the minutes.

16 The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of her proceedings; and it shall be the duty of the churches to enable her to do so.

17 The Association shall have a fund, created and sustained by luntary contributions from the churches, which shall be held by e treasurer and subject to the disposition of a majority of the sociation present at any annual session

19 The Association shall hold an annual session at such time d place as the body may, from time to time, designate.

19 By appointment of the Association there may be an Intro— ctory, Missionary and Denominational sermon preached ch annual session

20 This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, o thirds of the members present concurring

21 The benevolent institutions of the day shall be no bar or t of fellowship, but all shall be free to sustain or not sustain as y, choose.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1 The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2 The letters from the churches shall be read and the names of e delegates enrolled.

3 A Moderator and Clerk chosen by a majority of the members esent

4 Only one member shall speak at a time who shall rise from seat and address the Moderator; and while speaking, shall not interrupted by any member, except the Moderator.

5 The member speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and e no words culculated to irritate.

6 No member shall abruptly break off or absent himself, with- t leave of the Association.

7 No member shall speak more than three times upon one sub- t without leave of the Association

8 No member shall have the liberty of laughing during the sit- g of the Association, nor whispering in time of public speech

9 No member of the Association shall address another in any her appellation but that of brother.

10 The Moderator shall not interrupt any member or prohibit n from speaking till he gives his light on the subject, unless he eaks this decorum

11 The names of the several members of the Association shall be led by the Clerk as often as the Association requires.

12 The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges as an other member, provided his seat be filled; and he shall have no vote, unless the Association be equally divided

13 Queries presented by churches shall be attended to by the Association

14 Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it

15 Any member who shall willingly and knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the Association, as they shall think proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1 We believe in only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one

2 We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the words of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice

3 We believe in the doctrine of Election by grace.

4 We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will or ability.

5 We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit and that all who are thus regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God, shall never fall finally away.

6 We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed Righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7 We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances; and we believe that the only true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

8 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9 We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, except such as are regularly called, and come under the imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

PASTORS' ADDRESSES

Church	Pastor	Post Office	
Center.	Levi McCann,	Traphill,	N. C.
Cool Springs.	G M. Burcham,	Elkin.	"
Fishing Creek,	M. McNeill.	Wilkesboro,	"
Mt Pleasant.	J W Bryant,	Jonesville,	"
Roaring Gap,	L B. Murray,	Austin.	"
Pleasant Home,	J W. Bryant.	Jonesville,	"
Poplar Springs,	J R Jolly.	Elkin.	"
Pleasant Hill,	J. M. Current.		
Rock Creek,	L B. Murray,	Austin	"
Shoaly Branch,	W A. Holoman,	Jonesville,	"
Union Hill,	H. J. Carter,	Laurelbranch,	"

CLERKS' ADDRESSES

Church	Clerk	Post Office,	
Center.	W. M. McCann,	Traphill,	N. C.
Cool Springs,	Felix Gambill,	Benham,	"
Fishing Creek,	U A Miller,	Cowles,	"
Mt. Pleasant,	R J. Carter,	State Road,	"
Roaring Gap,	J F. Collins,	Traphill,	"
Pleasant Home,	W F. Edwards,	Roaring River,	"
Poplar Spring,	J. F Burcham,	State Road,	"
Pleasant Hill.	J B. Burcham,	Elkin,	"
Rock Creek,	J. A. Sebastian,	Round Mt .	"
Shoaly Branch,	H F. Tulbert,	Benham,	"
Union Hill,	M L Caloway,	Norman,	"

STATISTICAL TABLE.

	Added by Baptism.	" " Letter.	Restored.	Lost by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	No. in Fellowship	Minute Fund.	Sabbath.
Center,	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	.65	1
Cool Springs,	2	2	1	2	1	4	248	1.95	2
Fishing Creek,	10	0	0	0	0	1	59	.65	1
Mt. Pleasant,	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	1.00	
Roaring Gap,	1	0	0	3	0	0	32	1.20	1
Pleasant Home,	11	0	0	1	0	0	90	1.00	4
Poplar Spring,	1	0	0	0	0	0	60	.75	3
Pleasant Hill,	1	0	0	1	0	0	87	1.16	4
Rock Creek,	33	11	5	16	0	3	176	.75	2
Shoaly Branch,	0	0	0	4	0	1	109	.95	3
Union Hill,	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	.35	4
Total							955	$10 41	

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

Elkin Baptist Association

Convened with

MT. PLEASANT BAPTIST CHURCH,

STATE ROAD, N. C.

October 3, 4, 5. and 6, 1907

Next session of this Association

To be held with

Poplar Spring Baptist Church

Beginning

Thursday before the First Sunday in Oct. 1903.

Rev. W. W. Myers, Moderator
T. A. Gentry, Clerk.

Proceedings

STATE ROAD, N. C.,
Thursday, October 3, 1907.

The 29th annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association met with Mt. Pleasant church at 12 M.

Rev. G. M. Burcham delivered the introductory sermon which was excellent; text, 2 Timothy 1:10. Intermission 30 mi[illegible]

The Association was called to order by the Moderator who read 1st Psalms after which prayer was offered by Rev. C. W. Cheek.

On motion T. A. Gentry was elected clerk, pro tem.

Upon request for letters, nine were presented, read and enrolled. Then on motion elected Rev. W. W. Myers Moderator and T. A. Centry, clerk for ensuing year.

On motion authorized the Moderator to make all temporary appointments.

The following committees were appointed:

Arrangements—Rev. G. M. Burcham, W. M. Sebastian. H. F. Carter, L. D. Burcham. H. W. Cockerham.

Time and Place—J. Z. Adams, E. H. Darnall.

Orphanage—E. P. Walls, H. J. Burcham.

Temperance—J. F. Burcham. J. Z. Adams, J. A. Darnall.

Missions—Rev. G. M. Burcham, R. J. Carter.

Pastoral and Church Relations—W. M. McCann, R. Spencer.

Religious Exercise—York Johnson, A. H. Miller, W. A. Hudspeth, R. J. Carter, J. W. Hicks.

Ministers Relief—Rev. C. W. Cheek, T. A. Gentry.

Finance—W. A. Hudspeth, M. W. Tucker.

Periodicals—T. D. Gentry, Rev. L. B. Murry.

Memoriam—J. A. Darnall, J. M. Tucker.

An invitation was given to correspondents and visiting brethren. L. D. Burcham of Elkin and Rev. C. W. Cheek of Stone Mountain accepted seats.

Arrangements—On motion meet at 9 A. M., adjourn at 11 for preaching. Meet at 1 P. M., adjourn at will.

Committee on Religious exercises report Rev. C. W. Cheek to preach to-night. He preached as requested. Text, John 1:29, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world."

FRIDAY MORNING.

After singing by choir the Moderator read the 100th Psalm. Prayer by Rev. G. M. Burcham.

Letters were called for and two were handed in and read and delegates enrolled.

Report of Arrangements read and adopted.

On motion Education and Sunday School work were added to our list of exercises.

The following committees were appointed.

Education—J. A. Caudle, T. A. Gentry.

Sunday Schools—Oscar Emerson, T. D. Gentry, J. Z. Adams.

Correspondents were called on report. L. D. Burcham visited Brushy Mountain associations. Was treated with hospitality and reported peaceful and lovely sessions. Rev. W. W. Myers also visited Stone Mountain and reported a good session.

Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. W. W. Myers to preach at 11 A. M.

Next, Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and Articles of Faith were read.

Members were appointed to visit sister associations as follows:

Rev. G. M. Burcham and J. A. Chipman to visit Stone Mountain; Rev. G. M. Burcham and L. D. Burcham to visit Brier Creek; Rev. W. W. Myers, J. A. Caudle and Oscar Emerson to visit Brushy Mountain; and Rev. G. M. Burcham and J. A. Chipman to visit Alleghany and Grayson.

Prayer was offered by Bro. Eli Walls, then adjourned for preaching at 11 A. M.

Sermon by Rev. W. W. Myers. Text, 7th chapter of Judges, portion of 2Ist verse, "And they stood every man in his place around about the camp."

Prayer by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Intermission I hour.

FRIDAY EVENING.

After singing by chojr, Rev. W. W. Myers offered prayer.

REMPERANCE REPORT.

Our people are upon a higher plain of morality than to indulge in the liquor traffic. We should be temperate in all things especially in talking about our brethren.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Darnall,
J. Z. Adams,
J. F. Burcham.

Remarks by Bro. J. Z. Adams and Rev. G. M. Burcham. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

Relation of church and pastor should be very close, and seems to be too distant. Therefore we recommend that church and pastor search the scriptures for the duties enjoined upon them by the same and walk therein.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. Carter.

Remarks by Rev. C. W. Cheek. Report adopted.

Correspondents were invited to seats. None accepted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

There are various kinds of missions aud various ways to carry out the Mission work. There are Home Missions, State Missions, and Foreign

Missions. We believe in the Gospel plan in carrying out the Mission work. The Gospel plan is to carry the contributions direct from the contributor to the object intended without any middle man.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. Burcham,
R. J. Carter.

Remarks by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Report adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

We know of no greater institution for the protection and care of the orphan children than the one at Thomasville, N. C. We further advise the churches of the Elkin Association to lend a helping hand, to aid them, that they may be reared up in the admonition and fear of the Lord.

S. J. Burcham,
E. P. Walls.

Remarks by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Report adopted.

TIME AND PLACE REPORT.

Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1908, at Poplar Spring five miles northeast of Elkin. Rev. H. J. Carter is to preach the introductory sermon.

J. Z. Adams,
E. H. Darnall.

Remarks by J. Z. Adams. Report adopted.

Committee on Religious Exercises report. Bro. J. Z. Adams to preach to-night. Prayer by J. Z. Adams. Adjourned until 9 A. M. Saturday.

Bro. J. Z. Adams preached Friday night from 18th chapter of Luke, portion of 22nd verse, "Yet lackest thou one thing."

SATURDAY MORNING

Singing by choir. Rev. C. W. Cheek read 4th chapter of Proverbs. Song, "He's coming back again." Prayer by Bro. J. Z. Adams.

On motion preaching was omitted and business resumed.

Correspondents were invited to seats. None accepted.

Roll of delegates was called.

FINANCE REPORT.

Minute Fund, $11.35. On motion took collection, 1.77; total minute fund, 13.12. Home Missions, 3.47; orphanage, 3.00; Pleasant Hill, to old Bro. Harris, 70; total, $20.29.

On motion instructed the clerk to use all the minute fund in having minutes printed and distributed, reserving $3.00 for his services. Report adopted.

MEMORIAM REPORT.

There has been no change since the last report, that we can learn, for which our hearts go out in gratitude to the Father of Mercy for his loving kindness in preserving our lives to the present time.

J. A. Darnall,
J. M. Tucker.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We should be very cautious in selecting the literature that we read and with which our minds are partially fed and developed.

We recommend the Biblical Recorder and North Carolina Baptist as religious papers.

It is a duty we owe to ourselves to select other reliable papers and journals and learn what is being done in our land of prosperity.

T. D. Gentry.

Remarks by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Adopted.

Bro. M. W. Sebastian requested that this Association place a monument at the graves of Rev. Ellison Myers and wife.

On motions the churches pledged as follows:

Center, $1.00; Cool Springs, 2.00; Fishing Creek, $1.00; Mt. Pleasant, 1.00; P. H. Cockerham, indivldually, 50c.; Pleasant Home, 3.00; Pleasant Hill, 1.00; Rock Creek. 2.00. Shoaly Branch, 1.00; White Plains, 1.00; Liberty Grove, 1.00; Poplar Spring, 1.00; total 15.50.

The above pledges are to be sent by the 25th of December to L. D. Burcham and A. Brewer who on motion were appointed as committee to solicit aid, purchase and erect tombstones to their graves.

Prayer by T. A. Gentry. Intermission one hour.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Singing by choir. Rev. G. M. Burcham quoted 7th chapter of Job and offered prayer.

Corresponding brethren invited to seats. Bro. G. E. Myers and Bro. J. C. Roberts from Stone Mountain accepted.

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF.

If there is any class of people in the world that deserves our sympathy and support it is the faithful old minister who have worn themselves out in preaching the Gospel of Jesus Ohrist to dying men and women.

Old ministers who have labored with their hands merely enough to support themselves and families and have given the rest of their time in the service of God have been deprived of laying up means for their old days. Hence they are dependent for their support and we believe that it is our indispensable duty to go to their rescue and help comfort them in their declining days.

C. W. Cheek,
T. A. Geutry.

Remarks by T. A. Gentry and Rev. C. W. Cheek. Report adopted.

On motion took up collection for Rev. Wm. Harris. Amount $3.46.

On motion the churches pledged to give old Bro. Harris as follows:

Mt. Pleasant, $1.00; Pleasant Home, 50c; Poplar Spring, 50c.; Pleasant Hill, 50c; Shoaly Branch, 50c; total, $3.00.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

There is being great progress made in education and we believe it is our duty to give our chlldren every advantage we can in obtaining an education. We further believe that we should put our shoulder to the wheel and give our assistance to this noble cause.

We still further believe that our aim in educating our children should be based upon the following quotation from the Bible. "Train up a child in the way he should ge and when he is old he will not depart from it.

J. A. Caudle,
T. A. Gentry.

Remarks by T. A. Gentry. Report adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Sabbath achools are schools taught on the Sabbath. We are glad to report that many of the churches have good schools. Every church should engage heartily in this work. It is the best means of increasing Bible knowledge. It was the custom ef those in ancient days to go up to the Synogogue from al lquarters to hear the reading of God's Law. Our blessed Savior stood up and read God's Law to the people on the

Sabbath Day. God will hold us accountable for the manner in which we spend this day. Some one has said that the denomination that pays most attention to the children at present, will be the denomination of the future. God will hold parents to the full account of His Law for the way they train their children. The Bible should be the Book taught and then use all the helps we can get. We recommend the appointment of a Sunday School Superintendent in each church.

J. Z. Adams,
J. O. Emerson.

Report adopted.

Sunday School talks refered till Sunday.

Be it resolved. That this association tender thanks to the good people of this community for their kindness and liberality in supporting this association during its session. Submitted. G. M. Burcham.

Resolution adopted.

Singing and handshake by the brethren. Prayer by Rev. G. M. Burcham. On motion adjourned. Song, "Praise God from Whom." Benediction by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Rev. W. W. Myers preached at night. Text found in Hebrews 2:6. "What is man."

SUNDAY.

Singing by choir. Sunday School speeches by Bro. J. Z. Adams, Rev. Levi McCann and Rev. C. W. Cheek.

Singing by choir.

The moderator preached a heartfelt sermon at 11 A. M. Text found In Luke 1:72. "Remember."

Song, "Praise God from Whom." Benediction by Rev. Levi McCann.

Intermission one hour.

Singing by choir. Prayer by Rev. C. W. Cheek.

Rev. G. M. Burcham after reading Luke 1:1-17 and John 15:1-7 preached the final sermon at 1 P. M. Text, Luke 15:4.

"What man of you having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost. until he find it?"

Song, "Praise God from whom." Final benediction by Bro. J. Z. Adams

DELEGATES ENROLLED.

Cool Springs—E. H. Darnall, J. M. Tucker, M. W. Tucker.
White Plains—E. E. Tharpe.
Center—W. M. McCann, C. H. Johnson, A. C. Philips.
Poplar Spring—T. A. Gentry, J. Z. Adams, J. F. Burcham.
Pleasant Home—T. D. Gentry, H. W. Cockerham.
Pleasant Hill—E. P. Walls, S. J. Burcham.
Mt. Pleasant—A. H. Miller, W. A Hudspeth. R. J. Carter, J. W. Hicks.
Rock Creek—A. Brewer, W. M. Sebastian.
Shoaly Branch—H. F. Carter, R. Spencer, J. A. Darnall, D. F. McCann.
Liberty Grove—Oscar Emerson, J. A. Caudle.
Fishing Creek—Monroe Mastin, Wm. Mastin.

PASTORS' ADDRESSES.

Church	Pastor	Postoffice
Pleasant Home	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville, N. C.
Shoaly Branch	J. M. Currant	Jennings. "
Liberty Grove	W. T. Comer	Windy Gap, "
Rock Creek	L. B. Murry	Austin, "
Center	Levi McCann	Traphill, "
Pleasant Hill	J. M. Currant	Jennings, "
Mt. Pleasant	G. M. Burcham	Elkin, "
White Plains	L. B. Murry	Austin, "
Fishing Creek	Milton McNeil	Wilkesboro, "
Cool Springs	Levi McCann	Traphill, "
Poplar Spring	Levi McCann	Traphill, "

CLERK'S ADDRESSES

Church	Clerk	Postoffice
Poplar Spring	J. F. Burcham	State Road. N. C.
Cool Springs	Felix Gambill	Benham, "
White Plains	W. F. Byrd	Roaring River "
Fishing Creek	S. B. Miller	Cowles "
Mt. Pleasant	R. J. Carter	State Road, "
Pleasant Hill	J. B. Burcham	Elkin, "
Center	W. M. McCann	Traphill, "
Rock Creek	J. A. Sebastian	Hays, "
Liberty Grove	J. S. Forrester	Knottville, "
Shady Branch	S. A. Johnson	Austin, "
Pleasant Home	W. G. Burcham	Roaring River "

ORDAINED MINISTERS

G. M. Burcham, Elkin, N. C.; I. G. Sisk, Winston-Salem, N. C.; L. B. Murry, Austin, N. C.; W. S. Edwards, Roaring River, N. C.; J. F. Smith, Ozark, N. C.; J. N. Barker, Lomax, N. C.; W. W. Myers, Round Mountain, N. C.; H. J. Carter, Wilkesboro, N. C.; Wm. Harris, Roaring Gap, N. C., John Burcham, Licentiate, Roaring River, N. C.; J. Z. Adams, State Road, N, C.; F. Simmons, Jonesville, N. C.

Statistics.

	Added by baptism	Added by letter	Restored	Lost by letter	Excluded	Died	No. in fellowship	Minute fund	Home Missions	Orphanage	Ministers relief	Sabbath
Liberty Grove	4			6			44	.65	1.90			
Rock Creek		4		7	4	2	172	.70				2
Shoaly Branch	1			2			97	.95				3
Pleasant Home		3		1			95	1.45				4
Pleasant Hill	3			2			88	I.45		1.00	.70	4
Center							29	.60				1
White Plains	22	6		8			134	.75				3
Mt. Pleasant	1	3					52	.80				2
Fishing Creek							59	.50	1.57			1
Cool Springs	1			4	2		243	2.45		1.00		2
Poplar Springs	11					1	56	1.05		I.00		3

THIRTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

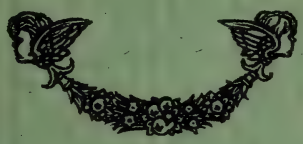
OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONVENED WITH

POPLAR SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH

STATE ROAD, N. C., OCT. 1, 2, 3 AND 4, 1908



Next session of this Association
To be held with
Center Baptist Church,
Beginning
Thursday before the first Sunday in Oct. 1909

REV. W. W. MYERS, Moderator
T. A. GENTRY, Clerk

PASTORS' ADDRESSES.

Church	Pastor	Postoffice	
Center	C. W. Cheek	Hays,	N. C.
Mt. Pleasant	G. M. Burcham	Elkin,	"
Shoaly Branch	W. W. Myers	N. Wilkesboro,	"
Pleasant Home	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville,	"
Poplar Spring	Levi McCann	Traphill,	"
Rock Creek	L. B. Murray	State Road,	"
Cool Spring	Levi McCann	Traphill,	"
White Plains	W. A. Holleman	Jonesville,	"
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant	"	"
Liberty Grove	W. T. Comer	Windy Gap,	"
Fishing Creek	Milton McNeil	Wilkesboro,	"

CLERK'S ADDRESSES.

Church	Clerk	Postoffice	
Center	W. M. McCann	Traphill,	N. C.
Mt. Pleasant	R. J. Carter	State Road,	"
Shoaly Branch	S. A. Johnson	Austin,	"
Pleasant Home	W. G. Burcham	Roaring River,	"
Poplar Spring	J. F. Burcham	State Road,	"
Rock Creek	J. A. Sebastian	Hays,	"
Cool Spring	Felix Gambill	Benham	"
White Plains	W. F. Byrd	Roaring River	"
Pleasant Hill	Jno. B. Burcham	Elkin,	"
Liberty Grove	J. S. Foster	Knottville	"
Fishing Creek	Monroe Mastin	Cowles	"

PROCEEDINGS

STATE ROAD, N. C.,
Thursday, Oct. 1, 1908.

The 30th annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association met with Poplar Springs church at 12 M.

Bev. H. J. Carter delivered the introductory sermon; text, Matt. 24:14 and St. John 12:15. Intermission 30 minutes.

The Moderator called the house to order, read 15th Psalm after which Rev. C. W. Cheek offered prayer.

Letters were called for. Seven were handed, read and delegates enrolled. Organization now being in order, elected Rev. W. W. Myers Moderator and T. A. Gentry clerk for another year.

On motion authorized the Moderator to make all temporary appointments.

The following committees were appointed:

Arrangements—L. D. Burcham, S. A. Johnson, E. H. Darnall, J. Z. Adams, J. Q. Adams.

Time and place—W. M. McCann, J. S. Handy.

Orphanage—Levi McCann, W. M. Jolly.

Temperance—H. J. Carter, J. M. Tu ker.

Missions—C. W. Cheek, J. A. Chipman.

Pastoral and Church Relations—G. M. Burcham, J. Z. Adams.

Religious exercises—Levi Burcham with delegates of Poplar Springs Church.

Ministers relief—Levi McCann, C. W. Cheek.

Finance—J. A. Darnall, W. M. Jolly.

Periodicals—H. J. Carter, M. L. Wilcox.

Memoriam—E. H. Darnall, S. A. Johnson.

Education—J. Q. Adams, T. A. Gentry.

Sunday School—J. C. Sebastian, J. F. Burcham.

An invitation was given to correspondents and visitors. Rev. C. W. Cheek, Rev. Levi McCann and Bro. J. D. McCann from Stone Mountain; and Bro. L. D. Burcham of the Elkin association accepted seats.

Visitors were called to report.

Rev. W. W. Myers having visited the Stone Mountain, reported a good association.

Bill of arrangements—Meet at 9 A. M., adjourn at 11 for preaching. Meet at 1 P. M., adjourn at will.

Committee on religious exercise report Rev. C. W. Cheek to preach to-night and Levi McCann to-morrow at 11. Adjourned for first day, closing with prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Sermon at night by Rev. C. W. Cheek; text, Luke 24ch., part of 39th verse, "Handle me and see."

FRIDAY MORNING.

Singing by Choir. Rev. J. W. Burchett read Isaiah 1: 1-10 and offered prayer.

Upon request for letters three were presented, read and delegates enrolled.

The committee of arrangements submitted their report which was read and adopted.

TIME AND PLACE REPORT.

Thursday before 1st Sunday in October, 1909, at Center. Rev. J. W. Burchett preacher and Rev. W. W. Myers alternate.

J. S. Handy.

Adopted.

MINISTERS RELIEF.

This is one of the worthy objects of which we as a Baptist people are called upon to help support. The old ministers, for years, were neglected, but now under the management of the Minister's Relief Board, they have insurance against want while their last years are ebbing away. We recommend that each church take at least one collection a year and forward to the Board for this worthy object. This is one of the Bible tests of christianity. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." (Matt. 25:40.) We should be careful lest we be found wanting.

Levi McCann,

C. W. Cheek.

Remarks by Rev. Levi McCann. Rev. C. W. Cheek, Rev. J. W. Burchett and Rev. W. W. Myers. Report adopted.

Our motion took collection, $3.28.

After prayer by Rev. H. J. Carter, Rev. Levi McCann preached the 11 o'clock sermon, text 3rd chapter of Daniel, portion of 15 verse. "And who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?" Intermission 1 hour.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Singing, as usual for opening, prayer by the Moderator, then letters were called for and one was handed, read and delegate enrolled.

ORPHANAGE RERORT.

The Orphanage is one of the objects of our convention, that lays heavy upon the hearts of our people and the work it does is first: it takes the homeless and provides for them a home, second, it trains them to make a livelihood for themselves, third, educates them, fourth, trains them for Christ and sends them out as helpers in the Master's vineyard. Otherwise most of them would be a failure in life; besides that, they would have a hard time battling with the cold charities of the world. James tells us that "Pure religion is to visit the fatherless and the widow in their affliction and keep himself unspotted from the world.,'

Levi McCann,
M. M. Jolly.

Remarks by Rev. Levi McCann, Rev. J. W. Burchett and Rev. W. W. Myers. Adopted.

Took collection, $1.78. Liberty Greve promises to send $5.00 to the orphans by Christmas.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

We are glad to note the progress of our people in their work against intemperance. The Bible tells us to be temperate in all things. Let us then, especially, be cautious in talking about our brethren. "And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell. (James 3:6.)

H. J. Carter,
J. M. Tucker.

Remarks by Rev. H. J. Carter and Rev. J. W. Burchett Adopted.

Upon request Rev. H. J. Carter, Rev. J. W. Burchett and Bro. J. F. Burcham volunteered to visit Stone Mountain association; Rev. J. W. Burchett, Rev. W. W. Myers and Rev. J. Z. Adams, Brier Creek; Rev. J. W. Burchett and Rev. H. J. Carter, Brushy Mountain and Rev. J. W. Burchett and Bro. J. A. Chipman, Alleghany and Grayson.

Fishing Creek called for letter of dismission and was granted the same.

MEMORIAM REPORT.

We, the committee on memoriam, report that there has been no special change since the last association, that we can learn, for which our hearts go out in gratitude to the Father of mercy for his loving kindness in preserving our lives to the present time.

E. H. Darnall,
S. A. Johnson.

Adopted.

At this point the roll was called.

Committee on religious exercise report Rev. J. Z. Adams to preach to-night and Rev. J. W. Burchett to-morrow at 11.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We urge upon our people the necessity of reading good literature because reading to a great extent is a guide for our thought and sentiment. We believe that people neglect the Bible too mnch and read facinating novels and trashy literature. We recommend the Sunday School literature of the Baptist S. S. Board, Nashville, Tenn., also Charity and Children and Biblical Recorder.

H. J. Carter,
M. L. Wilcox.

Remarks by Rev. J. W. Burchett and Rev. H. J. Carter. Adopted.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. C. W. Cheek. Song: "Praise God from whom."

Rev. J. Z. Adams preached the sermon at night, text, 1 Peter 3:15; "But sanctify the Lord in your hearts; and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear." This was a remarkable meeting. There was great rejoicing because of the presence of the divine spirit.

SATURDAY MORNING.

After singing, Rev. C. W. Cheek read 37th Psalm and offered prayer.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATION.

Relation of church and pastor should be very close. The Bible gives it very plain, like shepherd and flock. The pastor should visit his flock and see how they are getting along. We believe that the pastor should visit the homes of all his churches, especially the poor, and feed them on Bible truths and the church should be true to their pastor.

J. Z. Adams,
W. G. Burcham.

Remarks by Rev. H. J. Carter and Rev. J. W. Burchette.

Adopted.

Adjourned.

Rev. J. W. Burchett, now forgetting the business of the association, preached an excellent sermon, which resulted in another glorious meeting, subject: "The best road;" text, Luke 15:22. "Bring forth the best robe and put it on."

Intermission 1 hour.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Songs: "The Uncloudy Day," and "The Gate Ajar." Prayer by T. A. Gentry.

MISSIONS REPORT.

Missions is a Bible doctrine. Christ, himself, was a missiontry. He came all the way from Heaven to save sinners. A missionary is one sent. In calling the apostles, He told them He would make them fishers of men; then after His resurrection He commanded them to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Missions are divided into three classes. Firts, State Missions, meaning in the bounds of the State. Second, Home Missions, meaning in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention and Cuba. Third. Foreigh Missions meaning the whole world.

Christ said ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the world. The spirit said unto the church at Antioch separate Barnabas and Saul to the work whereunto I have called them. To accomplish anything for Christ, we as a Baptist people must be united. We recommend that this association put itself in touch with the organized forces so that we can be of some help in enforcing this command of our Lord.

C. W. Cheek,
J. A. Chipman.

Remarks by Rev. C. W. Cheek, Rev. J. W. Burchett, T. A. Gentry and Rev. H. J. Carter. Adopted.

FINANCE REPORT.

Received for Minutes, $12.25; Ministers Relief, $1.25; Collection (See Report on Minister's Relief,) $3.28; Collection (See Report on Orphanage,) $1.78; Foreign Mission $1.00; Received for Wm. Harris, $2.80, Pledge paid Wm. Harris, 50c. Total, $22.86.

J. A. Darnall,
W. M. Jolly,

Adopted.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Paid out for printing, $9.00; Reserved for services, $3.00; Used, to help pay postage, 25c., Sent to Minister's Relief Board, 4.53; Forwarded for Orphanage, $1.78; Forwarded for Foreign Mission, $1.00; Sent to Wm. Harris, $3.30. Total, $22.86,

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Sabbath schools are schools taught on the Sabbath. We are glad to report that most, if not all, the churches have good schools. Every church should engage heartily in this work. It is the best way of increasing Bible knowledge. We lift our hearts in grateful praise to the Giver of all good for our success in the past year. Under the blessings and guidance of God we expect yet to accomplih greater things in the Sunday school work. Some one has said that the denomination that pays most attention to the children at the present will be the denomination of the future. God will hold parents to the full account of His Law for the way they train their ehildren. We recommend the appointment of a Sunday School Superintendent in each school.

J. F. Burcham,
J. C. Sebastian.

Report adopted. Discussion referred till Sunday.

At this point the constitution, rules of decorum and articles of faith were read.

Resolved: That the thanks of this association be tendered this church and community for the kind hospitality they have shown us in supporting this association.

J. W. Burchett.

Resolution adopted.

On motion appointed Rev. J. W. Burchett to preach Denom-

inational sermon next association at 11 A. M. He consented to do so and announced his subject, "Why we are Baptist."

Rev. H. J. Carter, having volunteered, was appointed, on motion, to visit all the churches of this association this year.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We, your committee, are glad to report that education in North Carolino is moving along at a rapid rate and greater efforts are being made for the advancement of this great cause. Better school buildings are being erected, the best books are selected for our schools, libraries are being scattered in nearly every section of the state and our great institutions are preparing thoroughly many of the young people for the duties of life. Amoug the many institutions of which we are proud are Wake Forest College, for young men, and the Female University at Raeigh, for young ladies.

J. Q. Adams,
T. A. Gentry.

Remarks by Rev. J. W. Burchett and T. A. Gentry. Adopted.

Song and hand-shake by the brethren and sisters, closing with prayer by Rev. H. J. Carter.

Sermon at night by Rev. J. W. Burchett. Subject: "God in search of man and man in search of God;" text, Luke 19:10: "For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

SUNDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercise as usual, then Sunday School talks by Rev. C. W. Cheek and Rev. J. Z. Adams.

The Moderator preached the 11 o'clock sermon and, again, the brethren and sisters were filled with the "Old time religion," that makes both soul and body happy. Text, 2 Cor. 10:4: "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds." Song and hand-shake by brethren and sisters. Intermission 1 hour.

SUNDAY EVENING.

Rev. B. Mathis after reading 1st chapter of Hebrews preached the final sermon at 1 P. M., text. Hebrews 2 chapter, 1st phrase of 2nd verse and 1st phrase of 3rd verse. Benediction by Rev. S. F. Simmons.

W. W. Myers, Moderator,
T. A. Gentry, Clerk.

DELEGATES ENROLLED.

Center—W. M. McCann.
Mt. Pleasant—S. J. Sneed, J. W. Hicks, R. J. Carter.
Shoaly Branch—S. A. Johnson, J. A. Darnall.
Pleasant Home—W. G. Burcham, W. M. Jolly.
Poplar Springs—J. F. Burcham, J. Q. Adams, T. A. Gentry.
Rock Creek—J. S. Handy, J. C. Sebastian, E. V. Myers.
Cool Springs—J. M. Tucker, E. H. Darnall.
White Plains—E. E. Tharpe, W. F. Byrd.
Pleasant Hill—S. J. Burcham.
Liberty Grove—Rev. J. W. Burchett.
Fishing Creek—C. F. Foster, R. C. Miller.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

G. M. Burcham, Elkin, N. C.; I. G. Sisk, Winston-Salem, N. C.; L. B. Murray, State Road, N. C.; W. S. Edwards, Roaring River, N. C.; J. F. Smith, Ozark, N. C.; J. N. Barker, Lomax, N. C.; W. W. Myers, North Wilkesboro, N. C.; H. J. Carter, North Wilkesboro, N. C.; Wm. Harris, Roaring Gap, N. C.; S. F. Simmons, Jonesville, N. C.: J. Z. Adams, State Road, N. C.; J. W. Burchett, Knottville, N. C.

LICENTIATE.

Jno. B. Burcham, Roaring River, N. C.

STATISTICS

	Added by baptism	Added by letter	Restored	Lost by letter	Excluded	Died	Membership	Minute fund	State Mission	Foreign Mission	Minister's relief	Sabbath
Liberty Grove	4	8					55	1.10	2.50			
Rock Creek	11	6	1	7	5		180	1.00				2
Shoaly Branch				26			71	.70			1.25	3
Pleasant Home	3	3		1			101	1.80				4
Pleasant Hill	3					2	89	.80				1
Center	20					1	48	1.10				2
White Plain	6		3	6	1		137	1.15				3
Mt. Pleasant							49	.85				2
Cool Springs	4			9		2	236	1.65				2
Poplar Spring	5					1	61	1.60				3
Fishing Creek	6	1					67	.50		1.00		1

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Thirty First Annual Session

of the

Elkin Baptist Association

Convened With

Center Baptist Church

Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, 2 and 3, 1909

Next session of this Association
To be held with
Liberty Grove Baptist Church
Beginning
Thursday before First Sunday in Oct. 1910.

EV. W. W. MYERS, Moderator, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
A. GENTRY, Clerk, State Road, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

SEPT. 30, 1909.

This association met with Center church at 12 m.

An excellent introductory sermon by our beloved Envangelist, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Text, Acts 19:18-20. Prayer by Rev. W. W. Myers. Intermission 30 minutes

The association was called to order by the Moderator, who read 100 Psalm. Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

Upon request for letters, 9 were presented, read and delegates enrolled.

Elected by acclamation, Rev. W. W. Myers Moderator and T. A. Gentry Clerk.

Correspondents were now invited to seats and Bro. J. P. Holbrook, Rev. Levi McCann, Bro. J. S. Kilby from Stone Mountain accepted. Also Rev. W. R. Bradshaw took a seat with us.

The following committees were appointed.

Arrangemets—J. Z. Adams, Levi McCann, H. J. Carter, Eli Walls, A. A. Parks.

Time and Place—C. A. Sebastian, H. F. Tulbert.

Orphanage—Levi McCann, W. R. Bradshaw.

Temperance—A. A. Parks, J. Q Adams.

Missions—W. R. Bradshaw, J. S. Kilby.

Pastoral and Church Relations—J. A. Darnall, G. W. Gilliam.

Religious Exercises—G. A. Burcham with delegates of Center.

Minister's Relief—E. H. Darnall, Jno. Burcham.

Finance—Luther Pettyjohn, Willie Newman.

Periodicals—H. J. Carter, E J. Brown.

Memoriam—I. F. Gentry, J. Z. Adams.

Education—T. A. Gentry, and J. Z. Adams.

Sunday School—Eli Walls, G. W. Gilliam.

On motion meet at 9 A. M. adjourn at 11 for preaching, meet at 1 P. M., adjourn at will.

Committee on religious exercises report that Rev. H. J. Carter will preach to-night. Prayer by J. S. Kilby. Adjourned.

Sermon at night by Rev. H. J. Carter. Text, Luke 13:5, "I tell you, nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

FRIDAY MORNING.

Prayer by Bro. John Burcham.

Report of arrangements read and adopted.

The constitution, rules of decorum and articles of faith were read.

Upon request for letters, one was presented, read and delegates enrolled.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

We are glad to note the great progress of our people in their work against intemperance. We see such a great change, our hearts go out in thankfulness to God that our people have made this one noble step.

We now rocommend that our people do all they can to support and maintain the present existing law on the liquor traffic and let us be ever awake to our duty and make every step possible to better this work.

A. A. PARKS,
J. Q. ADAMS,

Remarks by Levi McCann and W. R. Bradshaw. Adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

The one institution of which every Baptist can be proud is our Orphanage at Thomasville.

We have in that institution about 400 boys and girls. These children are trained in heart, head and hand. Their support must come from the Baptist of N. C.

It cost about $700 a week to feed, clothe and educate them.

There are now 300 applications in the hands of Bro. Kesler but no room.

Let us come to the aid of this institution in our Sunday Schools and churches.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father, is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

W. R BRADSHAW,
LEVI McCANN.

Remarks by Levi McCann and W. R. Bradshaw. Adopted.

Song, On the Hills Over There.

MISSIONS REPORT.

State, Home and Foreign Missions.

State Missions are the basis of all our work. As State Missions has prospered so has all our denominational life. The missionaries of the State Board have organized one half of the 1891 churches and baptized

50,000 of the 212,000 members of our churches and have been the human agent of 75,000 profession. The churches organized by the Board give two-thirds of all the money for the spread of the Kingdom at home and abroad.

We have employed this year 148 missionaries and want to raise $45,000. Let us try to raise this year $15.00.

Home Missions includes the fifteen southern states and its work is among

1st, The 9,000,000 negroes.
2nd, Cuba.
3rd, Foreigners.
4th, Mountain Schools.
5th, Evangelism.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Jesus said, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Not to go is rebellion. Let us be careful lest we show to the world that we look lightly upon our Lord and Master's command.

J. S. KILBY,
W. R. BRADSHAW

Sermon on Missions by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw. Report adopted.

Took collection for Missions. Amount $3.70. Intermission 1 hour.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Singing by choir Prayer by Rev. A. J. Williams.

The churches were asked to raise $15.00 for Missions this year. They pledged as follows: Center, $1 50; Mt. Pleasant, $3.00; Shoaly Branch, $1.00; Pleasant Home, $1.50; Poplar Spring, $1.50; Rock Creek, $1.25; Cool Spring, $1.00; Pleasant Hill, $1.00; Liberty Grove, $2.00; White Plains, $1.25. Total, $15.00.

Visitors were now invited to seats with us. Bro. J. F. Gentry from Stone Mt. and Rev. A. J. Williams from Surry accepted.

REPORT ON PASTOR AND CHURCH RELATION.

Relation of church and pastor should be very close as the Bible teaches us.

They should be so closely connected that the church look to

the interest of its pastor who should not have to mention his needs to them. This makes the pastor able to discharge his whole duty by preparing himself.

We believe the pastor should visit all the homes of his churches, especially the poor and feed them on Bible truths and the church should be true to its pastor. J. A. Darnall,
G. W. Gilliam.

Remarks by H. J. Carter, Levi McCann, A. J. Williams, J. Z. Adams, W. W. Myers and J. W. Burchette. Adopted.

At this juncture correspondents were called to report.

Rev. J. W. Burchett visited the Brushy Mt. and reported a good session as he said they were alive to their duty.

Bro. J. F. Burcham reported (later during this association) that he was welcomed as a visitor to the Stone Mt. and that they had a nice session.

The brethren, most of whom volunteered, were appointed to visit sister associations as follows:

Alleghaney county—Rev. J. W. Burchett, and Rev. H. J. Carter.

Alexander—Rev. J. W. Burchett.

Brushy Mt.—Rev. J. W. Burchett, Rev. W. W. Myers and Rev. H. J. Carter.

Brier Creek—R. J. Carter and W. A. Hudspeth.

Surry—Rev. J. W. Burchette, Rev. H. J. Carter.

Yadkin—W. A. Hudspeth, Rev. W. W. Myers.

Stone Mt.—Rev. J. Z. Adams, A. A. Parks.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. J. Z. Adams will preach to-night.

The churches were now asked how much they would give to orphanage this year and they pledged as follows:

Mt. Pleasant, $3 00; Shoaly Branch, $1.00; Pleasant Home, $1.00; Poplar Spring, $1.50; Rock Creek, $2.00; Cool Spring, $1.00; White Plains, $1.00; Liberty Grove, $5.00. Total, $15.50.

Prayer by Rev. J. W. Burchette. Benediction by Rev, A. J. Williams. Sermon at night by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Text, Luke, 16:29. "Abraham saith unto him, they have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them."

SATURDAY MORNING.

Rev. A. J. Williams read 133 Psalm and offered prayer.

Correspondents and visitors were now invited to seats. Rev. K. Thompson from the Surry accepted. At this point of time, on motion, appointed Rev. J. W. Burchett as delegate to Baptist State Convention.

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF.

This is one of the worthy objects which we Baptist people are called npon to help support. The old ministers for years were neglected but now under the present management of the Minister's Relief Board they have insurance against want while their last years are ebbing away.

As they are one of our most worthy objects, we urge our people to help support them.

JOHN BURCHAM,
E. H. DARNALL.

Remarks by Rev. Levi McCann, Rev. J. W. Burchette, Rev. H. J. Carter, Rev. W. W. Myers and Bro. A. Brewer. Adopted.

Also on motion adopted a rule that every church hold service on Christmas day and make a Thank offering for the Old Ministers and send to Ministers Relief Board.

TIME AND PLACE REPORT.

The next session of the Elkin Baptist Association is to be held with Liberty Grove church, five miles north east of Wilkesboro, beginning Thursday before First Sunday in October, 1910.

Introductory sermon by Rev. W. W. Myers, G. M. Burcham, alternate.

C. A. Sebastian,
H. F. Tulbert.

Report adopted.

FINANCE REPORT

Churches paid in for minutes, $10.81; collection for minutes $1.63; total minute fund, $12.44; collection (see report on missions,) $3.70; total, $16.14.

M. L. Pettyjohn,
W. H. Newman,

Remarks by Rev. K. Thompson. Adopted.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Paid out for printing, $9 25; sent to State Board for Missions, $3.70; received for services, $3.00; used remainder to help pay postage, 19c. Total, $16.14.

We, your committee, appointed by this assoc ation to erect Tombstones to the graves of Rev. A. E. Myers and wife, beg to submit the following report:

Cost of monuments, $18.00; different churches pledged $15.50; pledges paid in, $13.50; private subecription, $3.27; total paid, $16.77; yet unpaid, $1.23.

A. Brewer,
L. D. Burcham.

On motion the pledges were continued until all are paid.

(Since the above report was given one other church has paid her pledge of $1.00, making the total now paid $17.77; unpaid 23 cents.

Prayer by Rev. K. Thompson. Adjourned for preaching.

Denominational sermon by Rev. J. W. Burchett. Subject: Why we are Baptists. Text: Hebrews 8:5 and 1st John 2:6 Prayer by Rev. Levi McCann. Intermission 1 hour,

SATURDAY EVENING.

Song, "Will you meet me there." Prayer by T. A. Gentry.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

This is a reading age, hence the importance of a careful selection of reading matter. Much trashy literature is afloot and this unwholesome reading matter should never fall into the hands of our young people. We should give them such papers as the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home and Field Foreign Mission Journal, and, best of all, the Bible. We recommend that all our pastors take the Biblical Recorder, that they may keep in close touch with our denominational work, and members also where they are able to do so. We can not afford to neglect the work of informing ourselves as to the workings of our own denomination.

H. J. Carter,
B. J. Brown.

Remarks by Rev. H. J. Carter, Rev. A. J. Williams, Rev. W. W. Myers. Adopted.

MEMORIAM REPORT.

There has been no special change since our last association that we can learn for which our hearts go out in gratitude to the Father of Mercy for his loving kindness in preserving our

lives to the present time. Let us be up and at work while 'tis day for the night cometh when no man can work.

J. Q Adams,
J. F. Gentry.

Remarks by Rev. W. W. Myers. Adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad to report that education is now receiving much attention by the people of our State and that the masses of the people are being awakened to their duty which is to prepare the rising generation to live more completely and to fulfill the purposes of human existence.

Then let us in Elkin Association do our part of the great work that is being done by our State so that our children may be elevated to their highest well being and be prepared to fill all obligations due their fellow man and to God. Let us give special attention to moral education which tends to uplift the inward part of man and fit him for the duties of this life and for the enjoyment of life eternal.

T. A. Gentry,
J. Q. Adams.

Remarks by Rev. J. Z. Adams, T. A. Gentry and Rev. W. W. Myers. Adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

We are taught in the Bible to train up children in the way they should go. We believe there is no better way in keeping them employed on the Sabbath than placing them in Sunday school. The Sunday school is the nursery of the churoh and from the Sunday school 90 per cent. of the membership comes. Three-hundred thousand children in North Carolina belongs to nobody's Sunday school. These children are scattered all over North Carolina, some of them near your Church. Are you doing all you can to bring them in? 700 Sunday schools go into winter quarters. Does yours? We are grateful for what the Sunday schools are doing in our association but to quicken our interest in this department of our work your committee recommend that durihg the associational year we have a Sunday school convention to which we invite our corresponding secretary, Prof. E. L. Middleton,

Eli Walls,
G. W. Gilliam

Report adoptdd.

Sunday school talks refered till Sunday. On motion the churches are to hold a Sunday school convention this year.

Place: Cool Springs. Time: Saturday before 4th Sunday in August, 1910.

Committee on religious exercises report that Rev. Levi McCann will preach to-night.

RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved: That this association tender its thanks to the good people of Center community for their kind hospitality in supporting it during the session.

T. A. Gentry,
J. Z. Adams.

Adopted.

Song and handshake by brethren and and sisters.

Sermon at night by Rev. Levi McCann. Text: Matthew 6: 24, "No man can serve two masters."

SUNDAY.

Singing by choir, as usual.

Rev. H. J. Carter read a Bible lesson and offered prayer.

Sunday school talks by Rev. W. W. Myers, Rev. Levi McCann and T. C. DeBorde. The moderator preached the final sermon at 11 a. m. Text: Psalms 8:4, "What is man that thou art mindful of him or the son of man that thou visitest him."

Heartfelt religion was realized in this service as it had also been in other services of this association.

Singing and hand shake by brethren and sisters, thus closing a lovely session of the Elkin Baptist Association which all seem to enjoy.

Benediction by Rev. W. W. Myers.

Rev. W. W. Myers, Moderator.
T. A. Gentry, Clerk.

DELEGATES ENROLLED.

Rock Creek—A. Brewer, B. J. Brown, C. A. Sebastian.

Pleasant Home—D. F. Tharp, G. A. Burcham.

Pleasant Hill.—E. P. Walls.

Liberty Grove—A. Caudle, J. H. Caudle.

Mt. Pleasant—S. J. Sneed, W. A. Hudspeth, R. J. Carter, Rev. H. J. Carter.

Shoaly Branch—H. F. Tulbert, G. W. Gilliam, W. H. Newman.

Center—W. B. Hall, C. H. Johnson, C. A. Parks.

Poplar Spring—J. F. Burcham, J. Q. Adams, T. A. Gentry.

White Plain—Barney Caudle, J. M. Childers.

Cool Springs—E. H. Darnell, M. L. Pettyjohn.

PASTORS.

Cool Springs	Levi McCann	Traphill,	N. C.
Poplar Spring	H. J. Carter	N. Wilkesboro,	"
Center	A. J. Williams	Zephyr,	"
Shoaly Branch	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville,	"
White Plain	G. M. Burcham	Elkin.	"
Mt. Pleasant	G. M. Burcham	"	"
Liberty Grove	A. B. Hays	N. Wilkesboro,	"
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville,	"
Pleasant Home	J. W. Bryant	"	"
Rook Creek			

CHURCH CLERKS

Cool Springs	Felix Gambill	Benham;	N. C.
Poplar Spring	J. F. Burcham	State Road,	"
Center	W. B. Hall	Traphill,	"
Shoaly Branch	H. F. Tulbert	Austin,	"
White Plains	W. F. Byrd	Roaring River.	"
Mt. Pleasant	R. J. Carter	State Road,	"
Liberty Grove	W. A. Wiles	N. Wilkesboro,	"
Pleasant Hill	Jno. Burcham,	Elkin,	"
Pleasant Home	W G. Burcham	Roaring River,	"
Rock Creek	J. A. Sebastian	Hays,	"

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. W. Myers, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; E. A. Whittle, ——, —. —.; G. M. Burcham, Elkin, N. C.; I G. Sisk, Winston-Salem, N. C.; H. J. Carter, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; S. F. Simmons, Jonesville, N. C.; J. N. Barker, Lomax, N. C.; J. F. Smith, Austin, N. C.; J. Z. Adams, State Road, N. C.

	Added by baptism	Added by letter	Restored	Lost by letter	Excluded	Died	Membership	Minute fund	Sabbath
Pleasant Home	1			3			99	1.30	4
Poplar Spring						1	60	1.25	3
Center	4	5				1	56	.85	3
Cool Springs		6		1	2	4	235	1.46	2
Pleasant Hill			1	4		1	83	.80	1
Shoaly Branch							71	.80	2
Siberty Grove	6	8		2	2	1	63	1.25	
Mt. Pleasant							49	.75	2
White Plain				2			129	1.10	3
Rock Creek	32	3	4	3	2	3	197	1.25	2

Thirty-Second Annual Session

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Convened with

LIBERTY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1, 2, 1910

Next session of this Association to be held with Cool Springs Baptist church beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1911.

W. W. MYERS, Moderator
North Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. A. SEBASTIAN, Clerk
North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Came in this condition after binding volume. Compliments A

our Brother after a long Delay
send you the minutes
this association I had Disposed
all the minuts I had
had to get one from the cle
& it is badly Soiled

Yours W. W. Myers

PROCEEDINGS.

September 29th, 1910.

This association met with Liberty Grove church at 12 m. Introductory by Rev. H. J. Carter, text Mat. 1, 23. Intermission 10 minutes.

The association called to order by the moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Rev. W. W. Myers and J. A. Sebastian were elected moderator and clerk respectfully. Upon request for letters five were presented, read and delegates enrolled. Correspondents were invited to seat, and Rev. A. B. Hays, of Primitive and E. A. Wiles, of Stone Mountain, accepted.

The following committees were appointed: Arrangements: J. Z. Adams, J. W. Burchett, H. J Carter, G. M Woodruff and W. A. Tharp. Time and place: G. W. Johnson, J. Q. Adams. Orphanage: W. R. Bradshaw and J. A. Caudill. Temperance: Jackson Elliott and A. B. Hays. Missions: J. W. Burchett and W. R. Bradshaw. Pastorial and church relations: E. A. Wiles and H. J. Carter. Religious exercises: J. H. Myers with delegates of Liberty Grove Church. Ministerial relief: J. F. Brewer and M. F. Barker. Finance: C. Johnson and J. A. Caudill. Periodicals: G. W. Johnson and W. M. Scott. Memoriam: W. A. Wiles and W. A. Tharp. Education: J. W. Burchett and A. B. Hays. Sunday School: G. M. Woodruff and J. H. Myers.

On motion; meet at 9 a. m., adjourn at 11 for preaching. Meet at 1 p. m., adjourn at will.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. J. Z. Adams will preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock. Adjourned.

Friday morning—Rev. W. R. Bradshaw read 8th chapter of Acts and offered prayer.

Three letters were presented and read and delegates enrolled.

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw accepted a seat with us.

Report of arrangements read and adopted.

Report on pastor and church relations: The relation between the pastor and church should be one and the same in order that this relation should be one of lasting duration. 1st. The pastor must acquaint himself with all of the members and their several needs; also he should post himself in order that he may become a successful teacher and leader. The church should honor their pastor for their work's sake, pray for and pay them cheerfully so their minds and hands can be relieved from the cares of the world for the gospel's sake.

H. J. CARTER,
E. A. WILES.

Remarks by H. J. Carter and J. W. Burchett. Adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep ourselves unspoted from the world. Our orphanage is twenty-five years old; it came into being with almost nothing except the love and faith of a big hearted people, but now it is the pride of the whole denomination. Something like one thousand orphans have found a home within it's walls. We have there about four-hundred orphans. It takes about seven-hundred dollars per week to support these children. Your committee would urge all our churches to take a collection on or near Thanksgiving day and our Sunday school to take at least quarterly collection.

W. R. BRADSHAW,
J. A. CAUDILL.

Remarks by Revs. W. R. Bradshaw, J. W. Burchett and W. W. Myers. Adopted.

The churches are now asked how much they would give to orphanage this year and they pledged as follows: Cool Springs, $2.00; Poplar Springs, $1.50; Center, $1.50; Shoaly Branch, $1.00; Mt. Pleasant, $3.00; Liberty Grove, $2.00; Pleasant Hill, $2.00; Pleasant Home, $2.00; Rock Creek, $1.00. Total, $16.00.

Song, "He's Coming Again;" prayer by Rev. A. B. Hays and sermon by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Intermission 1 hour.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Singing by choir. Prayer by Rev. W. S. Edwards. Upon request for letters one was presented, read and delegates enrolled.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

Temperance is the moderate use of anything that is for man's good and the total abstenance from any and all things hurtful. Your committee is glad to note the progress temperance has made in the last few years. We heartily recommend that our churches see to it that our temperance laws are enforced in their respective communities. The Baptists should be strictly loyal to law and all agencies for morals and true rightousness. We can not be true to Christ and wink at sin. So we must condemn the making and using of intoxicating drinks of every kind.

A. B. HAYS,
JACKSON ELLIOTT.

Remarks by Revs. A. B. Hays, W. R. Bradshaw, J. W. Burchett. Adopted.

MISSIONS REPORT.

State, home and foreign missions mean sending the gospel to those who are without the gospel as we hold it. Missions under our plan of work are divided into four classes: associational, state, home, and foreign. State mission is the foundation on which all our mission work rests. It means the evangelization of our State. Home mission mean the territory covered by the Southern Baptist Convention and Cuba. Foreign missions mean the entire world for Christ. Christ's unqualified command is go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Our text, Acts. 1 - 8, "Ye shall witness unto me in Jerusalem and Judea, Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." If the Elkin Association would live and prosper, we must give the gospel to those who have it not.

J. W. BURCHETT,
W. R. BRADSHAW.

Remarks by Revs J. W. Burchett, W. R. Bradshaw. Adopted.

The following pledges were made for missions for this year: Mt. Pleasant, $3; Liberty Grove, $2; Peasant Hill, $2; Pleasant Home, $1. Total, $8.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

The ministers' relief is one of the worthy objects that claims our attention as a Baptist people. While the minister and especially the old minister has been neglected in the past, but now the Minister's Relief Board, through the help of the people, will insure them against want. We suggest that each church support their preacher. Of all classes of people the minister is one that needs our aid. They have worn themselves out in understanding the scripture and toiling for dying men and women.

J. F. BREWER,
M. F. BARKER. Adopted.

Pledges for ministers are as follows: Cool Springs, $1.50, Shoaly Branch, $1.00; Mt. Pleasant, $1.00; Poplar Springs, $1.00; Liberty Grove, $1.00; Pleasant Hill, $1.00; Rock Creek, $2.00. Total $8.50.

Committee on religious exercises report that Rev W. S Edwards will preach to-night. Prayer by Rev. A. T. Pardue. Adjourned.

Sermon at night by Rev. W. S. Edwards. Text: Mat. 20-6. "Why stand ye here all the day idle."

SATURDAY MORNING.

Singing by the choir and prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

Time and place report. The next session of the Elkin Baptist Association is to be held with Cool Springs church, five miles north of Elkin, beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October 1911. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. Z. Adams. W. S. Edwards alternate. G. W. JOHNSON.

Adopted.

MEMORIAM REPORT.

We, your committee, regret to note that some of the old veterans have fallen out of the ring and past us in the lane of live in the past year.

L. D. Burcham was born April 30th, 1832 and died August 5th, 1910. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Gentry December 23rd, 1859. This union was blessed with nine children, seven of whom are living. He joined the Baptist church early in life and lived a consistent member until God saw fit to command the pendulum of his life to stand still. A precious one from us is gone, a voice we loved is stilled, a place is vacant in our home which never can be filled.

A. J. Blackburn was born 1833, and died January 12, 1910, age 77 years. A good man gone.

Thomas Joyner, born July, 1843, died February 8th, 1910, age 67 years. He awaits us beyond.

Nancy Joyner, born 1851, died February 11th, 1910, age 59 years. Asleep in Jesus.

Farewell brethren and sisters dear, about thy state we have no fear.
If we God's children faithful be, in heaven thy faces soon we'll see.

W. A. THARP,
W. A. WILES.

FINANCE REPORT.

Churches paid in for minutes, $10.82; collection for minutes $3.43. Total minute fund, $14.25. For orphanage, $8.50; ministers relief, $3. Collection for ministers relief $2, total $5. Grand total $38.75.

C. JOHNSON,
J. A. CAUDILL.

Remarks by Rev. J. W. Burchett and A. Caudill. Adopted.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Paid out for printing, $10; sent to State board $24.50; received for service $4; used remainder to help pay postage, 25 cents. Total $38.75.

Correspondents were now invited to seats. Bro. W. R. Hendren from Brushy Mountain accepted.

At this juncture correspondents were asked to report. Rev. H. J. Carter visited Surry and Brushy Mountain and Rev. J. W. Burchett visited Brushy Mountain. Both reported good sessions.

The following brethren were appointed to visit sister associations: Brushy Mountain—Rev. H. J. Carter. Briar Creek—Revs, W. W. Myers, J. W. Burchett, H. J. Carter, W. S. Edwards and Bro. A. Caudill. Stone Mountain—Revs. J. Z. Adams and W. S. Edwards. Alleghany—Rev. J. W. Burchett and J. A. Caudill. Surry—Revs. H. J. Carter and J. Z. Adams.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

We believe that the Sunday school is the nursery of the church and from this source comes at least 90 per cent. of our best workers in the church and we recognize it as being the chief conner stone of our charitable institutions and it furthers and fosters true morality. We know there are thousands of children scattered over North Carolina that much need the help that the Sunday school brings. Therefore we earnestly urge that every church in the Elkin association should maintain ever-green Sunday schools. We, as a church, ought to fully rely upon the teachings of the Bible in training up the children in the way they should go.

J. H. MYERS,
G. M. WOODRUFF.

Report adopted.

Sunday school talks referred until Sunday. Adjourned for preaching.

Song by choir. Sermon by Rev. J. Z. Adams, text John 4-35: "Say not ye there are yet four months and then cometh the harvest. Behold I say unto you lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already to harvest.

Committee on religious exercises report Rev. H. J. Carter to preach tonight and Rev. A. T. Pardue tomorrow. Adjourned for dinner.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Song: "Calling now for me." Rev. A. B. Hays read the 23rd Psalm and fered prayer. Upon request for letters one was presented read and dele-Siates enrolled.

Visitors were now invited to take seats with us and Rev. C. W. Cheek of tone Mountain accepted.

Report on periodicals. We suggest the reading of good litrature and That our people do not neglect the reading of the Bible, add abstain from the eading trashy literature. We recommend the Sunday school literature of the gla baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., also Charity and Children and heahe Biblical recorder.

G. W. JOHNSON,
W. M. SCOTT.

Remarks by G. W. Johnson, Rev. J. W. Burchett. Bible lecture by Rev. A. T. Pardue and Rev. J. Z. Adams. Adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education means the training of the head, heart, hands and feet to serve in places of usefullness. Your committee insists upon the Elkin Association doing their utmost to help on the cause of education. First take the advantage of our public schools, and we recommend our denominational schools, Wake Forest College, and Merideth College for women.

J. W. BURCHETT,
A. B. HAYES.

Addresses by Rev. A. B. Hays, Rev. J. W. Burchett and A. Caudill. Adopted.

Resolution. Be it resolved that this association tender its thanks to the good people of Liberty Grove community for their kind hospitality in supporting it during this session.

W. S. EDWARDS.

Adopted.

Song and hand shake. Benediction by Rev. A. T. Pardue. Adjourned.

Sermon at night by Rev. H. J. Carter.

We, your committee, appointed to purchase and erect toombstones at the graves of Rev. A. E. Myers and wife, beg leave to submit the following: The pledges of the different churches have been paid and the toombstones purchased and erected at the graves of the deceased brother and sister as directed by the association, cost of same being $18.

Respectfully submitted,
A. BREWER,
L. D. BURCHAM. (deceased)
Committee.

SUNDAY.

Singing by choir. Rev. C. W. Cheek read a Bible lesson and offered prayer. Sunday school talks by A Caudill, Rev. A. B. Hays, Dr. Pegram. A collection was taken for ministers' relief, amount $5.43; Rev. A. T. Pardue preached the final sermon at 11 a. m., text: Matthew 3-10, "And now also the ax is laid unto the tree, therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire.

Thus closing a lovely and harmonious session of of the Elkin Baptist Association. Greatly enjoyed by all present. Benediction by Rev. A. T. Pardue.

REV. W. W. MYERS, Moderator,
J. A. SEBASTIAN, Clerk.

DELEGATES ENROLLED.

Rock Creek—G. W. Johnson, J. H. Myers, J. A. Sebastain. Pleasant Home—W. A. Tharp, C. F. Darnell, M. F. Barker. Pleasant Hill—W. C. Gilliam. G. F. Couch, W. E. Couch. Liberty Grove—G. M. Woodruff, T. W. McCarter, Jackson Elliott. Mt. Pleasant—R. J. Carter, S. J. Sneed, A H. Miller, Shoaly Branch—A. H. Burchett, W. F. Gilliam, J. A. Darnell. Center—W. B. Hall, W. M. Scott, C. Johnson, Poplar Spring—J. F. Burcham, J. Q. Adams, J. W. Gentry. White Plain—A. E. Sparks, W. S. Alexander, William Alexander. Cool Springs—Felix Gambill, S. J. Burcham, Willie Tucker.

PASTORS.

Rock Creek, A. B. Hays, Hays, N. C., & G. W. Sebastian, Haymeadow, N. C.

Pleasant Home	G. M. Burcham	Elkin,	N. C.
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville,	"
Liberty Grove	A. B. Hays	Hays,	"
Mt. Pleasant	J. W. Burchett	N. Wilkesboro,	"
Shoaly Branch	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville,	"
Center	Levi McCann	Traphill,	"
Poplar Spring	J. Z. Adams	State Roads,	"
White Plain	Levi McCann	Trap Hill,	"
Cool Spring	" "	" "	"

CHURCH CLERKS

Cool Springs	Felix Gambill	Austin,	N. C.
Rock Creek	J. A. Sebastian	N. Wilkesboro,	"
Pleasant Home	W. G. Burcham	Roaring River,	"
Pleasant Hill	J. B. Burcham	Elkin,	"
Liberty Grove	W. A. Wiles	N. Wilkesboro,	"
Mt. Pleasant	R. J. Carter	State Road,	"
Shoaly Branch	H. F. Tulbert	Austin,	"
Center	W. B. Hall	Traphill,	"
Poplar Spring	J. Q. Adams	State Road,	"
White Plain	W. F. Byrd	Roaring River,	"

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. W. Myers, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; E. A. Whittley, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; G. M. Burcham, Elkin, N. C.; I. G. Sisk, Winston-Salem, N. C.; H. J. Carter, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.; S. F. Simmons, Jonesville, N. C.; J N. Barker, Lomax, N. C., J. F. Smith, Austin, N. C.; J. Z. Adams, State Road, N. C.

LICENTIATE.

John B. Burcham, Roaring River, N. C.

STATISTICS.	Added by baptism	Added by letter	Restored	Lost by letter	Excluded	Died	Membership	Minute fund	Sabbath
Rock Creek	20	2	1		1		228	1.35	2
Pleasant Home	10	1		1		1	107	1.67	4
Pleasant Hill				3			80	.90	4
Liberty Grove		1		2		1	59	1.50	4
Mt. Pleasant						2	43	.70	2
Shoaly Branch	2	2		2		1	72	.90	3
Center		1					64	.75	1
Poplar Spring	11	1				2	64	.80	3
White Plain	17	3	1	2	2	4	145	1.10	3
Cool Spring		1		10		1	225	1.15	2

MINUTES

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

REV. W. W. MYERS, MODERATOR,
NORTH WILKESBORO, N. C.

A. CAUDILL, CLERK, HAYS, N. C.

THE NEXT SESSION of the Elkin Baptist Association will be held with White Plain Church, one and a half miles North-East of Roaring River, N. C., Beginning on Thursday before the First Sunday in October 1912.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ELKIN ASSOCIATION

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER, 28, 1911

THIS ASSOCIATION met at Cool Spring Baptist Church at 12 A.M.. Introductory Sermon Preached by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Text, John 21, 6. "Cast your net on the right side."

Intermission 15 minutes.

The Association called together by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. A. B. Hays. Rev. W. W. Myers and A. Caudill were elected Moderator and Clerk. Upon request for letters 10 were presented, read and delegates were enrolled. Correspondents were invited to seats, when the following brethren came forward: Rev. C. F. Fields and A. J. Williams from the Surry Association. Rev. A. B. Hays, J. P. Elledge, and F. G. Brewer from the Stone Mountain Association. Visiting brethren, L. H. Carter and J. Q. Adams.

Committee of Arrangements: Rev. A. J. Williams, Rev. A. B. Hays, S. J. Johnson, H. F. Carter, Levi Walls.

Orphanage: Rev. C. F. Fields, Felix Gambill.

Temperance: A. B. Hays, J. Q. Adams.

Missions: Rev. C. F. Fields, J. F. Burcham.

Pastorial and Church Relations: R. J, Carter, A. Caudill.

Religious Exercise: F. G. Brewer, W. A. Wiles.

Minister's Relief: J. A. Caudill, A. J. Williams.

Sabbath-Schools: A. B. Hays, J. P. Elledge.

Education: Rev. J. Z. Adams, R. J. Carter.

Time and Place: W. S. Alexander, J. A. Caudill.

Finance: Rev. J. Z. Adams, E. H. Darnall.

Resolutions: S. A. Johnson, F. S. Eldridge.

Periodicals: C. F. Fields, H. F. Carter.

Committee on Religious Exercise reported that H. J. Carter preach tonight. Matt. 7, 12. Rev. A. J. Williams tomorrow. On motion adjourned until tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

SECOND DAY, SEPT. 29, 10 A. M. MORNING SESSION.

The Association met according to arrangements. Religious exercise conducted by Rev. A. B. Hays who read the 14 chapter of StJohn. Song How Firm a Foundation.

The Committee on Arrangements offered the following report which was adopted as the order of business: Omit roll-call of delegates and reading proceedings of yesterday. Read Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

1 Report on Temperance. 2 Report on Missions.
3 Report on Pastorial and Church Relations.
4 Report on Religious Exercise.
5 Report on Minister's Relief. 6 Report on Finance.
7 Report on Periodicals. 8 Report on Education.
9 Report on Time, Place, and Preacher.
10 Report on Memorials. 11 Report on Resolutions.
12 Report on Correspondents. 13 Report on Sunday-Schools.

Respectfully submitted, H.F.Carter, S.A.Johnson, Eli Walls, A. B. Hays, A. J. Williams } Com.

ROLL CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Center—W. B. Hall, Charlie Johnson, Osia Castevens.
Cool Spring— M. L. Pettyjohn, Felix Gambill, Willie Tucker.
Liberty Grove—J. A. Caudill, W. A. Wiles, A. Caudill,
Mt. Pleasant—A. H. Miller, H. J. Carter, R. J. Carter.
Pleasant Home—T. M. Byrd, Wm. Gentry, Jessy Darnall.
Pleasant Hill—J. B. Burcham, W. C. Gilliam, E. P. Walls.
Poplar Springs—T. A. Gentry, M. L. Wilcox, J. F. Burcham.
Rock Creek—N. P. Myers, A. Brewer, G. W. Johnson.
Shoaly Branch—H. F. Tulbert, S. A. Johnson, H. F. Carter.
White Plains—H. L. Sparks, W. S. Alexander, Milas Harris.

RECOGNIZED CORRESPONENTS

From Surry Association—Bro. F. S. Edwards, Bro. J. C. Carlton, came forward and accepted seats with us.

Song, "I Want to be a Worker." Prayer by Rev. A. B. Hays. Sermon by A. J. Williams, who preached an interesting sermon, text Genesis 6:9, "And Noah walked with God.

On motion adjourned till 1 P.M.

EVENING SESSION—1 P. M.

Song, "Oh For a Closer Walk With God." Prayer by Rev. H. J. Carter.

Report on Temperance: Temperance is the moderate use of anything that is for man's good. Your committee is glad to note the progress temperance has made in the last few years. We heartily recommend that our churches see to it that our temperance laws are inforced in their respective counties The Baptist should be strictly loyal to law, and all agencies for morals and true righteousness. We cannot be true to Christ and wink at sin.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. B. Hays, J. Q. Adams } Committee

Discussed by brethren to-wit: A. B. Hays, C. F. Fields, and W. W. Myers. Which were able and instructive. Report Adopted.

Committee on Periodicals: This is a reading age. Our young people will read something. Therefore, it is highly necessary that we give our boys and girls, good, wholesome, reading matter. We recommend the reading of good books, The Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, The Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field. Respectfully Submitted,

C. F. Fields }
H. F. Carter } Committee

Report of Visiting Brethren: Rev. W. W. Myers visited Stone Mountain Association, Rev. J. Z. Adams visited Surry Association. The brethren report each association as having a good session.

Committee on Ministers Relief: The Committee on Ministers Relief, offered the following report, which was discussed by A. J. Williams, A. B. Hays, and the report adopted.

We your Committee on Aged Ministers Relief submit the following: The object of the Ministers Relief Board is to aid in the support of the aged and infirm ministers and their widows over our country, to look after the soldier that has fought for his country to win it for Christ. And it is the duty of the Church of Christ, to help to support the old soldier of the cross, when he is worn out, and disable to work, and preach. We think this to be one of the greatest institutions of our work, that we as a denomination have. Blessed is he that consider the poor, the Lord will be with him on the bed of affliction, and deliver him from all his troubles.

A. J. Williams }
J. A. Caudill } Committee
A. B. Hays }

The Committee on Missions offered the following which was discussed by C. F. Fields, A. J. Williams, and A. B. Hays, and adopted:

Report on Missions: The Master said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." This means at home in our own community, in our own State, in our Southland and in Cuba and unto the uttermost parts of the earth. Brethren can we expect it to be said unto us when we come to judgment, "Well done good and faithful servant," if we have neglected to do our duty along these lines. Therefore we recommend our churches to do all in their power to send the Gospel unto all. Respectfully submitted.

C. F. Fields }
J. F. Burcham } Committee

The following brethren were appointed to visit the different associations: Brushy Mountain, H. J. Carter, and J. A. Caudill; Stone Mountain, H.J.Carter,J.Z.Adams and Felix Gambill; Alleghany, S. J. Johnson and H. F. Tulbert; Surry, Felix Gambill, J. Z. Adams, J. H. Carter and H. F. Carter.

To the Baptist State Convention, J. H. Carter, A. Caudill, J. Z. Adams, and W. W. Myers.

To the Southern Baptist Convention, J.Z. Adams, and A. Caudill

Report of Finance Committee, made the following which was adopted:

	Minute Fund	Home Missions	Ministers Relief	Orphanage	Total
Center	50			$1.50	$2.00
Cool Spring	$1.67	Foreign Mission $2.00	$1.50	$2.00	5.17
Liberty Grove	$1.16		$3.60	$8.90	15.66
Mt. Pleasant	60				60
Pleasant Hill	$1.08		$3.00	$2.00	6.08
Pleasant Home	$1.05	$1.00		$2.00	4.05
Poplar Springs	$1.00		$1.00	80	2.80
Rock Creek	$1.15		85	85	2.85
Shoaly Branch	95		$1.00	$1.00	2.95
White Plains	85				85
Total	$10.01	$3.00	$10.95	$19.00	

Two collections were taken during the Association, one for the Orphanage amounting to $ 8.62
One for Minutes $ 1.21

For all objects	$11.22	$3.00	$10.95	$28.62

The Committee on Resolutions offered the following report which was discussed by F. S. Eldridge, J. Z. Adams, H. J. Carter, and C. F. Fields, and adopted: Report on Resolutions:

Resolved 1st: That we advise our churches to appoint a man on each object for which we work, to take a collection during the year, that we may come to the next Association with our funds ready.

Resolved 2nd: That we tender our thanks to the brethren, sisters, and citizens of Cool Spring Church and community for their kind hospitality in supporting this Association.

S. A. Johnson }
F. S. Eldridge } Committee

The Committee on Religious Exercise report: Rev. W. W. Myers to preach tonight and Rev. C. F. Fields tomorrow.

The Committee on Time, and Place, report the following:

We your Committee on Time and place, beg leave to report the following: That the next Session of the Elkin Association to be held with White Plain Church, one and a half miles North East of Roaring River, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the First Sunday in October, 1912. Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. J. Z. Adams, Rev. H. J. Carter, alternate.

J. A. Caudill
W. S. Alexander } Committee

Song, "Amazing Grace." Prayer by J. T. Carlton. On motion adjourned till tomorrow ten o'cloock.

THIRD DAY, SATURDAY, SEPT. 30, MORNING SESSION, 9 A. M.

Singing by choir. Reading and prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Corresponding brethren invited to seats with the Association when the following came forward: J. M. Gentry from Friendship church in Surry county. And Levi McCann from Stone Mountain Association came forward and were seated.

The Committee on Pastorial and Church Relations made the following report which was discussed by A. Caudill, H. J. Carter, J. Z. Adams, W. W. Myers and Levi McCann, and adopted:

The word "Pastor" means Shepherd. The Shepherd should care for his Sheep and see that they are well fed and sheltered. It is not only the duty of the pastor to be prompt to attend his churches at each meeting, but he should visit the homes of his members, read a portion of God's word to them and instruct them in the way of righteousness. The duty of the churches to the pastor is; to enable him to do his duty, as mentioned above, by giving him of their means. If we sow unto you spiritual things, it is a great thing if we reap carnal things? It is ordained of God, that, "They that preach the gospel should live of the gospel."

A. Caudill
R. J. Carter } Committee

ELEVEN O'CLOCK.

Song, "I Want to be a Worker." Prayer by Levi McCann. Sermon by Rev. C. F. Fields, text Matt. 17:5. "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him." Prayer by A. B. Hays. Intermission till 1 P. M.

Song, "Jesus Lover of my Soul." Prayer by J. W. Brooks.

The Committee on Orphanage offered the following report, which was discussed by C. F. Fields, J. Z. Adams, and W. W. Myers, making a strong appeal for a support of the Orphanage at Thomasville, and adopted.

The Orphanage is now 26 years old. Its progress has gone beyond the expectations of the most sanguine. Its progress is nothing short of wonderful. Up to now something like one thousand children have found a home within its walls. The present number is about 380. We therefore recommend that our Sunday-schools give liberally to this work, and that our churches make Thanksgiving Day Orphanage Day. Respectfully submitted.

C. F. Fields
Felix Gambill } Committee

The Committee on Education offered the following report, which was discussed by J. Z. Adams and C.F.Fields, and adopted.

Our people are aroused as never before on the subject of Education; and there are better advantages for our young people than ever before. The demand for educated men and women is steadily growing. Therefore we urge our people to use the public schools of our country to their utmost to prepare their boys and girls for useful lives. Also we recommend our Denominational Colleges and Schools for higher education. We recommend Wake Forest College for young men and Merideth College for young women and our Denominational Schools as preparatory for Colleges.

R. J. Carter
J. Z. Adams } Committee

The Committee on Memorials offered the following report which was adopted: We, your committee regret to note that some of the Old Veterans have fallen and past us in the "lane of life" in the past year in the different churches of this Association. For full information see last page.

Eli Walls
W.M.Gentry } Com.

The Committee on Sunday Schools offered the following report which was adopted. Discussion refered till Sunday.

There are many things Christians are commanded to do. There is nothing in God's word more definitely commanded than teaching the will of God to men. This has been done in various ways. It should begin in the home; but it should also be done

publicly. The Sunday-school is today recognized as the best agency for this work. We, therefore submit the following recommendations for this work: Organize a school in every church in the Association and try to make every one of these "evergreen" or perennial. Put forth special effort for enlisting the co-operation and sympathy of our church members in the Sunday-school work. Visit the different Sunday-schools—get the best methods that will interest and hold the students

On motion the Clerk was ordered to have 300 minutes printed and distribute among the different churches in this association.

The Committee on Religious Exercise report the following: Bro. Levi McCann to preach tonigh; and A. B. Hays tomorrow. Song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." Adjourned till tomorrow at 10 A. M.

SUNDAY MORNING

Singing by choir. Sunday School Work discussed by A. Caudill, J. P. Elledge, and C. F. Fields.

11 O'CLOCK

Singing by choir. Prayer by Moderator. Sermon by Rev. A. B. Hays, text Ephesians 6:7. "Be not deceived; for God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. Song, "I Want to be a Worker. Benediction by Rev. Levi McCann.

On motion adjourned to time and place of next Association.

Thus passed a very pleasant session of the Elkin Association. Brethren pray for the success of the Sunday School. CLERK

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK	P. O.	Baptized	Letter	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	Membrs'p Males	Females	Total	Sunday	Ordained Ministers
Center	Grant Cothren	Zebra	W. B. Hall	Traphill				2		2	60		60	1	1
Cool Spring	J. Z. Adams	State Road	Felix Gambill	Austin	4	1	1	4		1			226	2	
Liberty Grove	A. B. Hays	Hays	W. A. Wiles	N. Wilkesboro	4	10		3					69		1
Mt. Pleasant	L. B. Murray	State Road	R. J. Carter	State Road	1		1				11	28	39	4	1
Pleasant Home	G. M. Burcham	Elkin	W. G. Burcham	Roaring River	6	2		1		1	48	65	113	4	
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville	Jno. B. Burcham	Elkin	9	2				1			90	4	1
Poplar Springs	J. Z. Adams	State Road	J. Q. Adams	State Road				1					63		1
Rock Creek	G. W. Sebastian	Hays	N. P. Myers	N. Wilkesboro	9	1				1			231	2	2
Shoaly Branch	J. W. Bryant	Jonesville	H. F. Tulbert	Austin	4	2							78	3	
White Plains	Levi McCann	Byrd	H. S. Sparks	Ronda	2	2				1			148	3	1

CONSTITUTION

1 This Association shall be known as the Elkin Baptist Association, and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches; each church being entitled to three delegates, and all regular ordained ministers as members ex-officio

2 The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom upon earth.

3 The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church a letter certifying their appointments, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof.

4 The Association just formed shall elect, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall continue in office for one year, and until others are chosen. The last two offices may be held by the same individual.

5 It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each session; to decide questions of order, subject to an appeal of the house by any member and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office

6 It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceedings of each session of the Association; and keep a minute of each session and to perform other duties assigned to him by the Association.

7 It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all the funds coming into his hands and report the same at the order of the Association.

8 There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five members, besides the Moderator and Clerk.

9 All letters or grievances or querries, together with all letters from corresponding associations requiring any attention thereon shall be submitted to the Committee on Arrangements, and reported back to the Association.

10 This body shall have no coersive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage, but shall only be considered as advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulations of the churches.

11 When an offense may have been committed by one church against another, or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the

Association, after due labors have been had between the offending and the offended churches, or an individual church, as the case may be, to take the matter into consideration and advise upon it.

12 The Association shall not maintain permanent fellowship towards any of her churches which neglect to institute and preserve Gospel order among their members, nor any of her churches or ministers that treat her Constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence, such as promote Gospel principles and order.

13 It shall be the province of this Association to invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

14 The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constituton,)be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the Association, except in extraordinary cases.

15 Each church having an ordained or licensed minister shall report the same to the Association in order that they may appear as such on the face of the minutes.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Elkin Baptist Association

THURSDAY OCTOBER, 3rd, 1912

THIS ASSOCIATION met at White Plain Baptist Church at 12 m.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

Intermission 10 minutes.

The Association called together by Moderator.

Prayer by Rev. A. B. Hayes.

Rev. W. W. Myers and A. Caudill were elected by ballot, Moderator and Clerk.

Upon request for letters ten were handed in, read and delegates enrolled except Mt. Pleasant Church which had two sets of delegates, Credential committee appointed to investigate same.

Correspondents were invited to seats when the following bretheren came forward: Rev. A. B. Hays, J. P. Elledge, Rev. C. W. Cheek, T. C. Deboard and J. T. Byrd from the Stone Mountain Association. Rev. J. A. Jordan, from Harmony, Ind. A. P. Whitaker and L. F. Hix from Surry Association.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Arrangements; Rev. C. F. Fields, T. C. Deboard, J. P. Elledge, Rev. A. B. Hays and Rev. C. W. Cheek. Temperance; Rev. J. W. Burchett and A. P. Whitaker. Orphanage; J.A. Jordan and Felix Gambel. Missions; Rev. C. F. Fields, T. C. Deboard and Rev. J. T. Byrd. Pastorial and Church Relations; H. F. Carter and J. S. Elliott. Religious exercises; Shubal Burcham and Rev. W. S. Edwards. Ministers Relief; J. A. Chipman and A. E. Sparks. Sunday School; E. L. Middleton, and Verlin Wheatley. Education; Rev. A. B. Hays and J. S. Elliott. Time and Place; C. F. Darnell and A. Brewer. Finance; R. L. Church and Rev. J. Z. Adams. Resolutions; J. M. Harris and Thomas Jordan.

Committee on religious exercises reports:

Rev. J. T. Byrd to preach tonight and Rev. C. F. Fields tomorrow at 11:00 a. m. Prayer by J. S. Elliot.

Adjourned until tomorrow 9:30 a. m.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Singing by choir. Sermon by Rev. J. T. Byrd who preached a very interesting sermon.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 4th, 1912.

Singing by choir. Rev. A. B. Hays read 1st chapter of Joshua and offered prayer.

Committee on arrangements report the following:

We your committee on time and place, beg leave to make the following report: The next session of this association will be held with Pleasant Home Church, 6 miles North of Ronda, to convene on Thursday before the 1st Sunday in October 1913 at 12 m. W. W. Myers to preach the introductory sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

A. BREWER
C. F. DARNELL
Committee.

On motion adopted.

Roll called.

Committee on Temperance report the following:

Your committee notes with pride the wonderful gains we have made along the lines of temperance in the last few years: The rural districts are almost freed from the evil.

We recommend that the members of this Association stand by our prohibition laws and see that the laws are properly enforced, and in passing this report we ask Congressmen and Senators to amend our interstate commerce law so as to prevent the shipping of intoxicants into prohibition territory and as Baptist and christains we will not support any man for office that favors the whiskey business. Remarks by Rev. J. W. Burchette, A. P. Whitaker and E. F. Hinson. On motion adopted.

Committee on religious exercise report:

E.L. Middleton secretary of the Baptist State Convention to discuss the Sunday School work the report adopted and Bro. Middleton given right of way making a strong appeal on the Sunday School work.

The Committee on Periodicals report the following:

The bee gathers honey from flower to flower. So do men, women and children recieve knowledge from everything they read, and that knowledge is indelibly stamped upon the mind producing its good or evil influence.

At no time in our history as a denomination, has the necessity for our people to be informed in all the departments of our Christain work been so great. We would earnestly urge that our members post themselves as to the workings of the denomination. There is no better informer then our own denominational paper the Biblical Recorder, therefore insist upon the members of our baptist family reading the Recorder, and the Foreign Mission Journal, also our Home Field.

On motion adopted. Remarks by W. R. Bradshaw and J. W. Burchette.

Correspondents nvited Rev. W. R Bradshaw and E. L. Middleton on state mission work accepted seats with us.

The Committee on Religious Exercise report:

E. F. Hinson to preach to-night and A. B. Hays To-morrow.

Lecture by E. L. Middleton, making a strong appeal for the Sunday School work.

The Committee on Sunday Schools report the following:

The Sunday-scho r k of the State is hopeful. There seems to be a steady healthful growth. Since 1905 we have grown from 1, 290 schools to 1, 858 in 1911-- a gain of 568 or 44 per cent in six years.

Since March, 1912, about seventy new schools have been organized. It is probable a few of the old ones have been discontinued.

During the same six years the membership has grown from 104,534 to 174,384--a gain of 69,750 or 67 per cent.

There now seem to be abont 125 churches without schools. It seems it is practically impossible to secure schools in some of these, though some are suffering from lack of leadership and the indifference of the church members.

The Normal Training is exceedingly hopeful. Nearly 2,000 were enrolled in North Carolina during the last Southern Baptist Convention year.

The work in this Association needs enlargement and improvement. In the church letters 11 churches report S. S. and only 2 of these seen to be evergreen. For our wotk next year we recommend the following:

1. We urge our people to try to make their schools perennial or evergreen.

2. That an earnest effort be made to enlist more of our church members for the Sunday-school.

3. That we co-operate with our Baptist effort in the State to enlarge and improve all our Baptist Sunday-schools.

4. That the workers shall use such time as is wise for a Sunday-School Convention or Institute.

5. That we endeavor to make our schools more difinite in their effort to bring to Christ all our people.

On motion, Adopted.

The Committee on Credentials report the following:

That the delegates from Mt. Pleasant Church in the persons of R. J. Carter J Q. Adams and W. A. Hudspeth be seated in this Association, realizing that both factions have been erroneous in the proceedings but believing the above delegates standing nearest right.

On motion of adoption. Motion lost.

NOON FRIDAY

Song, Who shall be able to stand. Prayer by Rev. A. T. Pardue.

New business taken up: On motion the Association appoint an Executive committee, motion carried which resulted in the appointment of the following committee: R. L. Church, A. Caudill, W. F. Alexander, M. L. Petyjohn and T. M. Byrd. Resolution to change time of meeting of the Association failed.

The Committee on pastoral and church relations, report:

We your Committee on pastoral and church relations do submit the following report; The pastor should always be on the watch post of duty. Realizing that we are living in a progressive age, and a greater demand is now upon us for a stronger ministerial work then ever before.

He should visit each home from time to time, in reach of

the church and give personal instructions on all benevolent objects as taught in God's word. The duty of the church, is to pray for, support and strengthen the pastor in those efforts for good, and each member should be present at all calls of the church, and contribute to God's treasure as he has prospered him.

H. F. CARTER
J. S. ELLIOTT
Committee.

The moderator asked visiting brethren to have seats with us, when the following came forward, C. M. Caudill, Revs. N. T. Jarvis and A. T. Pardue.

The Committee on Orphanage report the following:

ORPHANAGE REPORT

The last year has been a good one at the Thomasville Orphanage. There has been no epidemic among the children and no death except one boy accidently injured by a train which accident proved fatal.

There are nearly 400 children being cared for. These are fed, clothed and educated. The management uses the strictest economy in all its work. The high price of provisions makes the cost more per capita than a few years ago.

There is now some debt on the current fund, but a liberal offering at Thanksgiving will pay this. The recent Kennedy gift will call for larger offerings by the churches because very soon there will be 500 children to be fed and clothed. The larger givers will build the needed buildings, but the churches and Sunday-schools must furnish the money for current expenses.

We commend the Orphanage paper, Chairty and Children to our people. It is $1.00 a year or 60 cents a year in clubs of ten or more.

We your Committee beg lief to report.

J. A. JORDAN
FELIX GAMBILL
Committee.

Discussed by R. L. Church, J. W. Burchett and W. R. Bradshaw, on motion adopted.

On motion adjourned till to-morrow morning. Prayer by Rev. N. T. Jarvis.

SATURDAY MORNING, Oct. 5th, 1912. 9:30 a. m.

Song: Oh! for a closer walk with God. Scripture lesson and Prayer by Rev. J. A. Jordan.

Invitations to corresponding brethren, Brother Levi McCann accepted a seat from Stone Mt. Association.

At this time the Committee on Home and Foreign Missions reported:

First state, this is of vast importance, for it is the pillar upon which all the missions at home and abroad rests. The object of which is to carry the gospel of peace to every destitute neighborhood in North Carolina.

This is witnessing in Judaea. Home missions is giving the gospel to the destitute in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, including Cuba and the Panama region. This is witnessing in Samaria, Foreign means all the world not included in state and home, the Saviour said to the utermost parts of the earth: Brethren will we heed our Lords command? With this assurance from him, lo I am with you unto the final consumation of all things.

Discussed by Revs. W. R. Bradshaw and A. T. Pardue.

On motion adopted.

Prayer by Rev. N. T. Jarvis.

NOON

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Song Service. Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

REPORT ON EDUCATION

The blessings of education, no wise man doubts its necesities no just citizen would withhold from the public, at this age, if we as baptist keep pace with the times, and other denominations, we must educate our people. Education is not only training of the mind, but also the hand and heart as well. We believe the time has fully arrived, for us as a Baptist people to take action. Could we as Baptist do a better thing for our young people than educate them?

Other Associations are building schools for the education of their people, and why not we do likewise?

Discussed by J. S. Elliott, C. M. Caudill, Rev. C. F. Fields, A. Caudill, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw and J. A. Jordan.

On motion adopted.

The finance committee made the following report, which was adopted.

CHURCHES	Minutes	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Pastor	Aged Ministers	Orphanage	TOTAL
Center.....	$ 80	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 50	$ 1 00	$ 2 30
Cool Springs..	1 85	.....	.....	.....	1 50	4 50	7 85
Liberty Grove	3 40	2 00	2 00	60 00	2 84	12 50	82 74
Pleasant Hill..	90	.....	1 60	.....	35	30	3 15
PleasantHome	2 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	5 15
PoplarSprings	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Rock Creek....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Shoaly Branch	1 00	1 50	.....	.....	2 00	3 06	7 56
White Plain....	1 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 05
Elkin Valley..	1 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20
Total.....	$15 85	$3 50	$3 60	$60 00	$7 19	$23 86	$114 00

Two collections were taken during the Association as follows:

State Missions.....$5.09 Old Minister's Relief.....$4.00

By Tom Hix..... .70

Paid to Liberty Grove Pastor.....$60.00
Paid on Missions..... 47.24
Paid for Printing Minutes..... 15.20
Paid for Distributing Minutes..... .75

Committee on Ministers Relief reports: We believe that the highest calling of man in this life is that of preaching the gospel, and we are in simpathy with the old fathers in the minestry who

have worn out their lives in preaching the gospel, and for the relief of those preachers we contribute of our means a sufficent amt. to make them fairly comfortable in the evening of life.

We urge upon our churches to contribute liberaly to this object.

Respectfully submited
J. O. CHIPMAN
A. E. SPARKS
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. Bradshaw and W. W. Burcham.

Submitted and amendment.

AN AMENDMENT

The ministers relief board is entitled to the prayer, sympathy and offering of the churches. First because the board is doing its work without remuneration. Second, because of the ones that it reperesents, our aged and infirm ministers, who have worn out their lives for us with very little remuneration, therefore they are dependant on our gifts, yet it is debt we owe them.

There are now thirty-five Beneficiaries on the board with many other applications coming in, and the board has not sufficient funds to supply their needs, your committee recommends that a good christain offering be made in all our churches or as near that time as is practible.

Christ said in as much as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me.

Collection taken, amount $4.00

The committee on resolutions make the following report which was adopted. That we tender our thanks to the brethren sisters and community of White Plain Church for their kind hospitality in caring for this Association.

J. M. HARRIS
THOMAS JORDAN
Committee.

The following brethren were appointed to visit the different Associations. Rev. W. S. Edwards to the Brier Creek Association, Rev. J. W. Burchett to the Brushy Mountain Association and W. W. Myers to Brushy Mountain Association.

Revs. J. Z. Adams, J. W. Burchett and Felix Gambill to the

Surry Association. Rev. J. W. Burchett to the Alleghany Association. To the Baptist state convention A. Caudill.

On motion that the Clerk have 300 minutes printed and destribute among the different churches in this Association.

The committee on religious exercise report the following: Rev. T. N. Jarvis to preach to-night and Rev. W. R. Bradshaw to-morrow.

On motion adjourned till to-morrow.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Singing bv the Choir.

Preaching by Rev. T. N. Jarvis, text James 4:8, Draw nigh to God.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDENCE

Rev. J. Z. Adams visited the Stone Mt. Association, Rev. J. W. Burchett the Surry and Brushy Associations, Felix Gambill the Surry Association. All giving a good report of the different Associations visited.

SUNDAY MORNING OCT. 6th 1912.

Song by choir. "Jesus Wins the World."

The finance committee was organized by electing A. Caudill president, and the following resolution was offered by W. R. Bradshaw:

Resolved; That it is the sense of the Elkin Association that a denominational school is needed, and we delegate to our executive committee full power to act in conjunction with the executive committee of the Stone Mountain and Brushy Mountain Associations in receiving bids and locating school in the bounds of these associations if in their judgement it seems wise.

On motion adopted.

Prayer---

Sermon by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw. John 11:28, The Master is come and calleth for thee. Benediction by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw.

On motion adjourned to time and place of next association, thus passed a very pleasant session of the Elkin Association.

Bretheren Report all Sunday School work to the Association.

LIBERTY GROVE SUNDAY SCHOOL LETTER

We organized a Sunday School with 32 enrollment at Liberty Grove Church on the second Sunday in July, 1911. Our enroll-

ment has steadily increased till it now reaches 134. Sunday's kept open 52. Statistics:

Additions by baptism into church 25.

Paid to Orphanage and Orphans,	$22.95
Paid Other Objects,	44.03
Total	$66.98

Fiscal year closed July 14, 1912. Since then we have had a great success in our church work. We have inaugurated into the church four service each month as follows: Preaching Saturday at 2 and 8 p. m., Sunday 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., and comunion in April and October of each year. We recommend each church in our association to try these plans in their churches. Come and visit us at the Sunday School Convention on Friday before the 5th Sunday in July, 1913.

R. L. CHURCH, Superintendent.
Route 2, North Wilkesboro N. C.

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OBITUARY OF JAMES COCKERHAM

Brother James Cockerham professed faith and joined the church at Cool Springs the second Saturday in November, 1868, and lived a consistent member till death, he moved his membership to Pleasant Home Church some five years ago, his health failed him and Pleasant Home was near by. He was afflicted with paralysis and was almost helpless for a long time about two years. He was kind to all, a good neighbor, a loving father and affectionate husband, a faithful member of the church and had a deep interest in the salvation of others. Always helped in supporting people that would attend the meetings. His house was a home for people that attended public worship. He lacked three days of being 81 years old. He departed this life April 29, 1912. He leaves a wife and six children to mourn their loss of him. The church and neighbors have lost a good man. His remains are at rest in the cemetery at Pleasant Home Church and awaits the resurrection of the Just, a peaceful rest.

The pain of death is past,
Labor and sorrow ceased;
Life's toil closed at last,
His Soul is found in peace.

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Rec'd by letter	Restored	Dis. by letter	Excluded	Died	No. of Males	No. of Females	Total	Ordained Mins
Center	Grant Cothren, Zebra	W. B. Hall, Traphill	...	4	...	...	..	...	23	30	53	1
Cool Springs	J. Z. Abams, State Road	Felix Gambill, Austin	13	14	8	14	1	3	85	137	222	1
Elkin Valley	Wm. Melton, Zephyr	T. C. Deboard, Elkin	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	17	27	...
Liberty Grove	A. B. Hays, Hays	W. A. Wiles. N. Wilkesboro	41	7	1	1	...	2	65	63	128	1
Pleasant Home	G. M. Burcham, Elkin	W. G. Burcham, Roaring R.	2	...	2	...	...	2	...	.....	77	1
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville	Jno. B. Burcham, Elkin	11	...	1	...	...	1	51	73	124	...
Poplar Springs	A. J. Williams, Zephyr	J F. Burcham, State Road	4	1	..	10	...	...	...	.....	58	1
Rock Creek	G. W. Sebastian, Hays	N. P. Myers, N. Wilkesboro	7	3	...	16	...	3	85	137	222	2
Shoaly Branch	W. A. Hollowman, Jonesville	W. T. Gilliam, Austin	...	...	...	4	...	...	28	58	86	...
White Plains	L. B. Murry, State Road	H. S. Sparks, Ronda	10	2	...	2	...	2	60	95	155	1

CHURCHES	S. S. Superintendents and Address	No. Officers and Teachers	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Months Kept Open	No. of Baptisms from S S	DELEGATES
Center							S. J. Burcham, Charlie Johnson, W. B. Hall.
Cool Springs	E. W. Settle, Benham	7	167	86	6	4	Felix Gambill, M. L. Pettyjohn, E. H. Darnell.
Elkin Valley							H. D. Woodruff, Dan Turner, E. F. Hinson.
Liberty Grove	R. L. Church, N. Wilkesboro	8	134	48	12	25	J. S. Elliott, T. A. Johnson, A. Caudill.
Pleasant Home	G. A. Burcham, Roaring River	4	35	30	12	6	G. A. Burcham, L. L. Gentry, C. F. Darnell.
Pleasant Hill	J. E. Burcham		45		8		Jno. B. Burcham, C. H. Day, H. C. Burcham.
Poplar Springs							J. A. Chipman, M. L. Wilcoxen, J. F. Burcham.
Rock Creek	V. Whittley, N. Wilkesboro	6	35	34	9		A. Brewer, V. Whetly, N. P. Myers.
Shoaly Branch	H. F. Tulbert, Austin	6	40	20	9		H. F. Carter, S. A. Johnson, G. W. Gilliam.
White Plain	J. Q. Blackburn, R. River	7	94	68	8	10	E. H. Parks, A. E. Spaıks, Jno. Childres.
Total		38	530	286		45	

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OF THE
Elkin Baptist Association

THURSDAY, OCT. 2, 1913.

This association met at Pleasant Home Baptist Church at 12 m.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. G. M. Burcham. Text, 2 Peter, 1 chapter, 16 verse.

Intermission 30 minutes.

The Association called together by moderator.

Prayer by Bro. T. C. DeBorde.

Bros. T. C. DeBorde and J. A. Burcham were elected by acclamation, Moderator and Clerk.

Upon request for letters ten were handed in and read and delegates enrolled.

Correspondents were invited to seats when the following brethren came forward: Rev. J. T. Byrd, J. S. Kilby, and Rev. John Burcham from the Stone Mountain Association. On motion the Association recognized Bro. J. S. Elliott as an ordained minister in this association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees :

Arrangements; Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. J. S. Elliott, Rev. J. W. Burchette, J. F. Burcham, Rev. Levi McCann. Temperance; Rev. W. W. Myers, Rev. H. F. Tulbert. Orphanage; Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. J. T. Byrd. Missions; Rev. J. W. Burchette, Rev. G. M. Burcham. Pastoral and Church Relations; A. Caudill, W. M. Jolly. Religious Exercises; S. J. Burcham, with the delegates of Pleasant Home Church. Ministers Relief; Rev. J. Z. Adams. Sunday Schools; Rev. W. W. Myers, Rev. J. S. Elliott. Education; Rev. J. S. Elliott, Rev. C. F. Fields, A. Caudill. Finance; Oscar Emerson, Charley Burchette. Time and

Place; Clyde Woodruff, D F. Tharpe. Resolutions; W. A. Tharp, Rev. John Burcham.

Moved and seconded that this association now take the facts in connection with the trouble with Mt. Pleasant Church and decide which is the original church.

Committee on religious exercise report:

Rev. J. Z. Adams to preach tonight and Rev. J. S. Elliott tomorrow at 11 a. m. Prayer by Rev. G. M. Burcham.

Adjourned until tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE.

Singing by choir. Sermon by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Text, John, 3 chapter, 8 verse, "The Wind Bloweth Where It Listeth."

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 3rd, 1913.

Singing by choir. Rev. J. W. Bryant read 34th Psalm. Prayer by Rev. Levi McCann.

Committee on Arrangements report the following:

1. Call roll of delegates. 2. Read preceding minutes. 3. Read constitution, rules of decorum and articles of faith. 4. Advise Mt. Pleasant Church. 5. Recorder. 6. Missions. 7. Pastoral and church relations. 8. Minister's Relief. 9. Time, place and preacher. 10. Orphanage. 11. Temperance. 12. Education. 13. Sunday School. 14. Finance. 15. Obituaries. 16. Resolutions. 17. Miscellaneous matter.

Rev. C. F. Fields,
Rev. J. S. Elliott,
Rev. J. W. Burchette,
J. F. Burcham,
Rev. Levi McCann,
Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and seconded that the minute of yesterday be adopted.

The constitution, rules of decorum, and articles of faith were read.

Moved that the following report be adopted in regard to Mt. Pleasant Church:

The Elkin Association can do no more than advise, therefore the action of the Association will thus be taken. It is the judgment of the Association that the Murry called Conference was illegal, but the Conference held at the time previously published was legal, but since this association cannot settle the churches internal trouble we advise the original members (before the split) to come together in the christian spirit and settle this trouble by the scriptures, and all those that have joined since the split shall have no voice, but can legally become members after the church settles her trouble if they so desire. When thus settled this association will gladly seat your delegates, otherwise we cannot.

Correspondents were invited to seats:

Dr. R. W. S. Pegram from the Briar Creek, and Rev. J. W. Bryant from the Yadkin Association accepted seats.

The committee on Recorder reports:

This is a reading age. Our mails are loaded with literature of some kind or other, bringing reading matter to our doors, and our people are going to read something, either good or bad, hence we should all read the Recorder, the organ of the Baptists of N. C., which will give us information along all lines of our denominational work in all of its phases, therefore, we recommend all our people to subscribe for the Recorder and give their children wholesome matters to feed the brain and develop good moral

character. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. C. F. Fields,
Rev. J. W. Burchette,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. W. Burchette, Rev. C. F. Fields and T. C. DeBorde.

Report on Missions:

Missions means giving the gospel to everyone to the remotest bounds. For convenience we have systemized our work. First, State Missions means giving the gospel to the entire state as far as it is possible. Home Missions means all of the territory covered by the Southern Baptist Convention including Cuba and the Panama region. Foreign Missions means all the territory not occupied by the State Board and the Home Board in every clime.

The command of our Lord is "Go Ye Into All the World and Preach the Gospel to Every Creature, with the Glorious Promise, "I Will be With You to the end of the World." Will we heed His command, go, or by our means send some one. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. W. Burchette,
Rev. G. M. Burcham,
Committee.

Remarks by Revs. J. W. Burchettee, G. M. Burcham, J. S. Elliott, J. W. Bryant, Dr. R. W. S. Pegram. On motion adopted.

11:00 A. M.—Rev. J. S. Elliott read 1st chapter James. Prayer by Rev. W. S. Edwards. Rev. J. S. Elliott preached from Matthew, 26 chapter, 41 verse. "Watch and pray that ye enter not into temptation." Song, "How Firm a Foundation."

NOON FRIDAY.

Singing by choir.

Prayer by Rev. E. F. Hinson.

Committee on Religious Exercises report:

Rev. W. W. Myers to preach tonight and Rev. C. F. Fields tomorrow at 11 a. m.

We your committee on time and place, beg leave to make the following report:

The next session of this Association will be held with Elkin Valley Baptist church, two miles North of Elkin, N. C., to convene on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1914, at 12:00 M. Rev. J. S. Elliott to preach the introductory sermon. Respectfully submitted,

Clyde Woodruff,
D. F. Tharp,
Committee.

On motion report adopted.

The committee on Orphanage reports the following:

The Orphanage, which was established by the Orphanage Association 28 years ago, but later came under the control of the Baptist State Convention. There have been in all 1420 children under its care. There are now 411 children at the Orphanage. They are divided into eleven families. There are 28 woman and 7 men who give all their time to the work of the Orphanage. Hence, it costs about $115.00 per day to run the Orphanage work: this includes board, clothing, teaching. The printing press, operated by the boys, the sewing room, run by the girls, the shoeshop, run by the boys, the farm, worked by the boys, the herd of fine Holstein cattle, managed by the boys, and the laundry, operated by the girls, all contribute to help keep the institution going. It costs about $100.00 to keep a child in the institution 1 year. There are buildings now being erected on the Kennedy farm, and, when completed, will admit a number more children. About one-third of the Sunday Schools of the State furnish about 40 per cent. of the current fund. We recommend that all our Sunday

Schools take a once-a-month collection for the Orphanage, and all our churches take at least a Thanksgiving collection for the Orphanage. We recommend that all our people take Charity and Children, a paper published weekly at the Orphanage, and keep posted on the work at the Orphanage. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. C. F. Fields,
Rev. G. M. Burcham,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. G. M. Burcham, Rev. W. W. Myers, Rev. Levi McCann, Rev. J. S. Eliott. On motion adopted.

Motion that the Moderator appoint a committee to write a report or resolution in regard to establishing a branch Baptist Orphanage in Wilkes county.

Motion to adjourn until tomorrow 9:00 A. M. Prayer by Rev. W. W. Myers.

Song: "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Benediction by Rev. J. W. Burchette.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Singing by choir.

Sermon by Rev. W. W. Myers. Text, Numbers, 32nd chapter, 23 verse, "And Be Sure Your Sins Will Find You Out."

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT. 4th, 1913.

Song by choir. Rev. J. Z. Adams read the 23rd Psalm, and offered prayer.

Motion that the minute of yesterday be approved.

The finance committee made the following report which was adopted:

CHURCHES	Minutes	State Missions	Foreign	Home	Pastor	Old Ministers	Orphanage	Total
Shoaly Branch	$1.00	$ 1.86	....	....	25.00	1.92	1.75	31.53
Pleasant Hill	1.85	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	1.85
Poplar Springs	1.10	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	1.10
White Plains	1.00	.....	....	....	12.33	....	....	13.33
Elkin Valley	1.50	.....	....	....	40.00	....	....	41.50
Rock Creek	1.50	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	1.50
Cool Springs	2.41	.....	....	....	.....	4.25	3.55	10.21
Liberty Grove	2.00	4.02	4.02	4.02	60.00	3.10	4.81	81.97
Center	65	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	.65
Pleasant Home	2.14	.....	....	....	.....	....	....	2.15
Total	15.15	$ 5.88	4.02	4.02	137.33	9.27	10.11	185.79

Resolved by the Elkin Missionary Baptist Association that we elect delegates to canvass each church in this association, and to ask Stone Mountain, Brushy Mountain, Brier Creek and Surry Associations to elect delegates to meet in convention to organize a branch Orphanage in Wilkes county, and to look out a location for establishment of the same, and to report at the next association.

Dr. R. W. S. Pegram,
Rev. G. M. Burcham,
Committee.

On motion the above report be tabled.

Committee on Minister's Relief report.—The Baptist Minister's Relief Board was established in 1890. There are at present thirty on beneficiaries on the Board, with many other applications coming, and the Board has sufficient funds to supply their needs. Your committee recommends that good christian offerings be made in all our churches for this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted, J. Z. Adams,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. Z. Adams, Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. W. W. Myers, Rev. E. F. Hinson, T. C. DeBorde. Collection taken for Old Minister's relief amounting to $9.25.

Adopted.

Resolved that this Association advise the pastors of this Association to take collection once a year for Old Minister's relief.

Correspondents were now invited, when Bro. E. R. Settle and Barney Cothren, from the Stone Mountain Association, accepted seats.

11 A. M.—Song by choir. Sermon by Rev. C. F. Fields. Text, Psalms, 84 chapter, 16 verse. "For the Lord God is a Sun."

Prayer by Rev. J. S. Elliot.

Adjourned for one hour.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Song: "Let Sinners Plunge Beneath That Flood."

Correspondents invited, when Bro. Isom Burchette, from the Surry Association accepted a seat as a visitor.

The committee on Temperance report the following:

We note with pride the wonderful gains we have made for the last few years. We recommend that the members of this association stand by our prohibitive laws, and see that they are properly enforced, and to prevent the shipping of intoxicants in prohibition territory.

Rev. W. W. Myers,
H. F. Tulbert,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev, J. S. Elliott, and Bro. E. R. Settle. Adopted.

We, your committee on Pastorial and Church relation do submit the following:

The pastor should always be on the watch post of duty ever looking after his work, and the church should ever be looking after the needs and sustainance of life and loose his hands to the work as much as possible.

A. Caudill,
W. M. Jolly,
Committee.

Remarks by W. M. Jolly, Rev. J. S. Elliott, Rev. E. F. Hinson, Rev. C. F. Fields. Adopted.

Report on Education:

Since the history of man began the church has been the great exponent of learning. It is true the State is doing a great work for the masses and we commend the public schools. But the State cannot from the very nature of her fundamental laws foster an all-round education. The boy and girl in the adolescent stage during the formative period of school life need to be under strong and vital religious influences. Under the direction of Dr. A. E. Brown, of Asheville, the Baptists of the South have built up a system of school that the State cannot equal from an economic and literary standpoint, to say nothing of social, moral and religious training of the young, which, after all, is the more vital part. With the noble purpose of securing for our children and to coming generations one of these Baptist schools, and in response to resolutions adopted last year in the Stone Mountain, the Brushy Mountain, and the Elkin Association, Mountain View Institute has been founded and has already been adopted as one of our Mountain Schools, which means if we rally to its support its success is assured. The school is now in progress under the management of Prof. Edgar R. Settle, principal, Miss Ida Belle Ledbetter, lady principal and Rev. A. B. Hays, assistant. The dormitory for girls, a large brick

building with twenty-six rooms is now in process of erection and the work is being pushed as rapidly as possible.

Brethren, this is OUR SCHOOL. Let us give of our means toward completing the buildings, then send our boys and girls there, and finally brethren, let us pray for its success. For higher education we recommend Meridith College for girls and Wake Forest College for boys. We also recommend for Trustees, A. Caudill for three years, Rev. C. F. Fields for two years, and R. L. Church for one year.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. J. S. Elliott,
Rev. C. F. Fields,
A. Caudill,
Committee,

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields, Bro. E. R. Settle. Adopted.

OBITUARY OF JAMES GAMBILL.

Brother James Gambill was born Feb. 22, 1819. Joined the Baptist chnrch at Cool Spring, August, 1858. Was ordained deacon in December, 1858. Died February 4th, 1912. Age 92 years, 11 months, 12 days.

He lived a consistant member of the church until death, and was a true peacemaker and was beloved by all who knew him. He was a Justice of the Peace for 30 years, beginning before the war and served after the war. He leaves one son, Felix, the present clerk of the church. This dear old brother and soldier laid aside his staff and marched through the unscene gates of the far off shore to live with Jesus forever more.

Rev. G. M. Burcham,
Committee.

Report on Resolutions:

Whereas, the Elkin Association has been so hospitably entertained by the brethren and sisters of Pleasant Home

church, and community at large, Resolved 1st, That our sincere thanks and best wishes be tenderly submitted to this church and community for their kind hospitality.

2nd, That we implore the blessings of Almighty God to rest upon them all. Respectfully submitted,

Rev. John Burcham,
W. A. Harp,
Committee.

Moved that the clerk have 350 minutes printed.

Committee on religious exercises report that Rev. E. F. Hinson preach tonight and Rev. J. W. Bryant tomorrow at 11:00 A. M.

Motion to adjourn until time and place of next asscciation. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields. Song, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Benediction by Rev. J. S. Elliott.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Singing by choir. Rev. E. F. Hinson preached an interesting sermon. Text, Proverbs, 8 chapter, 17th verse, "I Love Them That Love Me, and Those That Seek Me Early Shall Find Me."

SUNDAY MORNING OCT. 5th, 1913.

Singing by choir. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields.

We, your committee on Sunday School, report the following, viz.

We realize the fact that our Sunday Schools are progressing nicely, however there seems to be a large per cent. of our people not enrolled in the Sunday School, therefore, we recommend, 1st, That our Sunday School Superintendents take a census of the territory over which his Sunday School is supposed to cover in order that he may find out where his people are, who they are, and what they are. 2nd, We advise that a campaign be made to get

every person in the Sunday School. After this be done let us all remember that we are the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

Let your light shine so bright that it may light up the pathway and lead every boy and girl to the Sunday School each Sunday. Then may your salt be of such saving power as to keep each child under the saving influence of your Sunday School.

Rev. J. S. Elliott,
Rev. W. W. Myers,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. S. Elliott, Rev. E. F. Hinson, Rev. C. F. Fields, T. C. DeBorde.

11:00 A. M.—Song, "My soul be on thy guard."

Prayer by Rev. Levi McCann. Sermon by Rev. J. W. Bryant. Text, Genesis, 1st chapter, 26 verse, "For the Lord said let us make man."

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

I find that I have $48.80 in my hands. Paid for printing minutes, $16.50. Turned remainder over to the different objects which it was for.

At the close of the Association Rev. C. F. Fields made some appropriate remarks and the association closed with a general old fashioned christian handshake, a great manifestation of the Holy Spirit.

Benediction by Rev. C. F. Fields.

T. C. DeBorde, Moderator,
J. A. Burcham, Clerk.

CHURCHES	S. S. Superintendents and Addresses	Number Officers and Teachers	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Months kept open	Number Of Baptisms from S. S.	DELEGATES
Shola Branch	J. C. Spencer, Austin	7	49	26	9	6	J. A. Darnell, H. F. Tulbert, W. H. Newman
Pleasant Hill							George Couch, W. C. Gilliam, S. E. Newman
Poplar Springs	J. W. Gentry, State Road	6	70	42	5		J. F. Burcham, George White, G. J. Eldridge
White Plains	W. F. Byrd, Roaring River	6	78	38	8		H. S. Sparks, Ed. Parks, Weaver Poplin
Elkin Valley	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin	9	122	51	9	21	J. B. Hudson, Clyde Woodruff, T. C. DeBorde
Pleasant Home	G. A. Burcham, Roaring River	6	60	40	10	1	W. G. Burcham, W. M. Jolly, D. F. Tharp
Rock Creek	Solomon Byrd, N. Wilkesboro	7	88	73		2	N. P. Myers, J. W. Brewer, J. C. Sebastian
Cool Springs	E. W. Settle, Benham	8	116	53	12	3	Felix Gambill, M. L. Pettyjohn, C. M. Carter
Liberty Grove							J. O. Emerson, C. Burchett, Tom A. Johnson
Center	J. T. Smith, State Road			30			S. J. Burcham, Charlie Johnson, M. C. Shores
	Total	49	583	353		33	

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Died	No. Males	No. Females	Total	Ord. Ministers
Center	Grant Cothren, Zebra	W. B. Hall, Traphill, N. C.				5	1	1	19	27	46	2
Liberty Grove	A. B. Hays, Hays	Charlie Burchette, Knotville, "	5			2			70	61	131	2
Shola Branch	Grant Cothren, Zebra	H. F. Tulbert, Austin, "	10				1	1	32	62	94	
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville	J. B. Burcham, Elkin, "		2							81	1
Poplar Springs	John Burcham, Roaring R.	J. F. Burcham, State Road, "	1			5	4		15	35	50	1
White Plains	Levi McCann, Dimmette	H. S. Sparks, Ronda, "				3	2		59	91	150	1
Elkin Valley	Grant Cothren, Zebra	Clyde Woodruff, Elkin, "	2	8			1		24	28	52	2
Pleasant Home	G M. Burcham, Elkin	W. G. Burcham, Roaring R. "	2	7		1			55	78	133	1
Rock Creek	J. A. Jordan, Roaring River	N. P. Myers, No. Wilkesboro "	4	3	2	3	4	4	84	137	221	3
Cool Springs	J. Z. Adams, State Road	Felix Gambill, Austin, "	3	6		7		1	71	128	199	1

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, THURSDAY, OCT. 1, 1914.

This association met with Elkin Valley Baptist church at 12 m.

Introductory sermon by Rev. J. S. Elliott—Text vs., 21st chap. and 7th verse.

Intermission for ten minutes.

The association called together by moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

Church letters called for, when ten were handed in, read and delegates enrolled.

Motion that the delegates from Rock Creek be recognized and present letter later. Mt. Pleasant church came again with a double delegation,but after some deliberation,they asked each other's forgiveness and forgave each other, and agreed upon a delegation, dropping the factions to work together in fellowship; and were gladly received upon their confession.

Motion that Bro. R. L. Church cast the vote for moderator, and clerk, which was cast for Bro. T. C. DeBorde for moderator, and J. A. Burcham for clerk.

Motion that the moderator appoint the following committees:

Arrangements—E. F. Hinson, Eli Walls, J. S. Elliott, J. W. Burchette, J. M. Smith.

Temperance—J. Z. Adams, Sherman Newman.

Orphanage—C. F. Fields, W. G. Burcham.

Missions—J. W. Burchette, W. R. Bradshaw.

Pastoral and Church Relations—Levi McCann, W. J. Harmon.

Religious Exercises—Elmer Eldridge, with the delegates of this church.

Ministers' Relief—J. Z. Adams, S. J. Burcham.

Sunday School—J. S. Elliott, E. F. Hinson.

Education—J. A. Caudill, J. F. Burcham.

Finance—Charley Burchette, J. W. Gentry.

Time, and Place and Preacher—Luther Pettyjohn, A. Parkes.

Resolutions—W. C. Gilliam, William Newman.

Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. Levi McCann to preach tonight and Rev. W. R. Bradshaw tomorrow at 11:00 a. m.

THURSDAY NIGHT, 7:30.

Singing by choir.

Rev. Levi McCann delivered an interesting sermon from Psalms, 8th chapter and 4th verse.

SECOND DAY, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1914.

The association met according to arrangements. Religious exercises conducted by Rev. J. Z. Adams, who read 1st chapter of John and vocalized prayer.

Read and approved minutes of yesterday.

Motion that the moderator be empowered to appoint a chairman of each committee of the following subjects: Temperance —Rev. J. W. Burchette; Orphanage—Rev. C. F. Fields; Missions—Rev. J. S. Elliott; Pastoral and Church Relation—Bro. R. L. Church; Ministers' Relief—Rev. E. F. Hinson; Sunday School—Rev. J. Z. Adams; Education—Bro. A. Caudill.

Would ask that these reports be made up in a very short form and just to the purpose for which they are intended.

Committee of Arrangements report—Report read and adopted.

Read Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Correspondents call for, when Rev. R. P. Blevins, from Surry Association, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, representing the State Board, accepted seats.

Report on Temperance:

We note with pride the wonderful gains we have made for the last few years.

We recommend that the members of this Association stand by our prohibitive laws and see that they are enforced and to prevent the shipping of intoxicants into prohibition territory. We hope that the shipping of intoxicants will soon be a thing of the past.

We hope and pray there will be less of it shipped each month in the year. It will be a great thing for our territory.

We thank God for doing as much as He has on intoxicants over our territory.

We are doing everything to stop intoxicants and strong drinks.

We don't believe it will be more than 20 years from 1914 till, if our children know anything about strong drinks, we will have to tell them about it, for we are moving it from off the face of God's beautiful world. We want our territory saved and also our good men. We need good men.

S. E. NEWMAN,
J. Z. ADAMS,
Commit

Remarks by Revs. J. Z. Adams, J. W. Burchette, J. S. Elliott, E. F. Hinson.

Adopted.

Report on Missions read:

It is generally admitted that State missions is fundamental. It lies at the base of all our enterprises. It strengthens the weak places in our work and steadies the hands of those who are almost overwhelmned by the odds against them.

It is the big brother in the family who stands between the little brother and danger.

One hundred and fifty missionaries are at work in the State under the board. These men of God preached more than ten thousand sermons and baptised more than two thousand persons within the past year. Many of these sermons were preached in sections destitute of gospel privileges. Some of these persons were won from families hostile to the faith as we hold it. Nor have we seen the end of the labors of these heroes of the Cross. The good seed they sowed will be bear its blessed fruit through coming years.

Our Baptist host is a mighty army as to numbers but we are painfully lacking in efficiency.

Our State Board, always alert and intelligent, is addressing itself to the enlistment of the unenlisted and calling out as far as possible those who have a name to live and are dead.

We would heartily commend this department of the work and hope it will be vigorously prosecuted through the coming year.

Compact fields, which means better pastoral service and more efficient local organization, is the hope and claim of the efforts of our State Board through the coming year.

Our churches need to be aroused to their obligations to the State Board and the blessing that will come to them from a deeper interest in, and a consecration to, the work of giving the gospel to every human in North Carolina.

Then home missions should share a part in our prayer and offerings. Fereign missions is a Bible command; then we are at fault if we fail in this, as well as State and home.

J. W. BURCHETTE,
W. R. BRADSHAW,
Committee.

Remarks by J. W. Burchette.

Rev W. R. Bradshaw read 6th chapter Isaiah and delivered an interesting discourse on missions.

Prayer by E. F. Hinson.

Adopted.

Collection for missions, amounting to $5.04. Adjourned for one hour.

1:00 p. m.

Singing by choir.

Prayer by Rev. J. S. Elliott.

Association called to order by moderator.

Report on Orphanage read:

The Baptist orphanage, which was established about 20 years ago under the management of J. H. Mills, has had under its care nearly 1,500 children and now has about 465 children, including those being cared for at the Kennedy home. We will soon have the twelfth building at Thomasville and two at the Kennedy home completed and ready for use. Since our last session we have had a very valuable gift from Miss Mary Galloway of her magnificent farm in the western part of the State. We are attempting to do more than ever before, and, unless our people stand by the orphanage manfully, we will be plunged hopelessly in debt. The orphanage has been scorched with a drouth since last April, and the farm which has contributed largely to support the orphanage has nearly failed.

We recommend increased contributions from churches and Sunday Schools, also that each member of our churches give one day's work or means to the orphanage on or about Thanksgiving Day and that we increase our monthly contributions during the year.

We recommend that all our people take Charity and Children, a paper published at the orphanage, and keep posted on the orphanage.

C. F. FIELDS
W. G. BURCHAM,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields, Bro. Avery.

Adopted.

Correspondents and visitors invited, when Rev. G. Cothren from the Stone Mountain and Rev. J. W. Bryant from the Yadkin, accepted seats as visitors.

Report on Education:

You Committee on Education, after weighing things, is con-

vinced that, in order to make the progress that we should, we must educate the masses, and as Baptists we must stand by our public schools and make them the best possible. We are proud of the increase in length of term.

We should, therefore, encourage our public schools and help to make the best. But they can never complete the work; for this reason we must, for our children's sake, maintain Christian schools. We have under the auspices of the home board now a school in our midst with E. R. Settle, principal, Miss Anderson,, lady principal, Miss Dixon, music teacher, Miss Cora McNeill, assistant teacher.

This school is our school.

We think we can with good grace insist upon your patronage. The brick work of the school building is about half done. The dormitory for girls will accommodate fifty-two. We have necessary arrangements for boys who will come as boarding students; and best of all is the society, church, Sunday-school and everything to guide the students toward a higher life of morals and usefulness.

Your committee, after looking over our association for a suitable man for trustee of our school, recommend W. G. Burcham.

Respectfully,
J. F. BURCHAM,
J. A. CAUDILL,
Committee.

Remarks by Revs. W. R. Bradshaw, R. P. Blevins, J. W. Burchette, J. S. Elliott.

Adopted.

Motion that W. G. Burcham be recommended for trustee of Mountain View School.

Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. J. W. Burchett to preach tonight and Rev. R. P. Blevins tomorrow at 11:00 a. m.

Motion to adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow. Prayer. Adjourned.

7:30 p. m.

Singing by choir.

Rev. J. W. Burchette delivered an interesting sermon—Text, 1st Timothy, 4th chapter and 16th verse. "Take heed unto thy self," etc.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 3, 1914.

Rev.E.F.Hinson read 1 Psalmn and vocalized prayer. Song. Association called to order by moderator. Read and adopted minutes of yesterday.

Report on Pastoral and Church Relation read:

We, you Committee on Pastoral and Church Relation, do submit the following:

The pastor should always be on the watch and at his post of duty, ever looking after the welfare of the church.

And the church should look after the pastor and make him able to discharge his duty as a pastor and pray for him and take his hands loose from labor as much as possible.

LEVI McCANN,
W. J. HARMON,
Committee.

Remarks by W. J. Harmon, and Revs. R. P. Blevins, C. F. Fields, G. Cothren

Adopted.

11:00 a. m.

Song. Prayer by Rev. R. P. Blevins. Rev. R. P. Blevins read 7th chapter of Revelation and delivered an interesting sermon.

Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Adjourned for one hour.

1:00 p. m.

Singing by choir. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Association called to order by moderator.

Report on Obituaries read:

We are glad to note there have been no special changes since our last session. To this end we thank God for His kindness in preserving our lives.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. GILLIAM, Committee.

Adopted.

We, you Committee on Time and place, beg leave to make the following report:

The next session of the Association will be held with Mt. Pleasant church, at State Road station, to convene on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1915, at 12:00 m. Rev

Grant Cothren to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. G. M. Burcham, alternate.

M. L. PETTYJOHN,
A. A. PARKES,
Committee.

Adopted.

Committee on Ministers' Relief report:

The Baptist relief board is entitled to the sympathy and offerings of the churches because of the ones represented. The aged ministers that have worn out their lives in the interest of God's Kingdom are now dependent on the churches for their support and the Board does its work without compensation.

J. Z. ADAMS,
S. J. BURCHAM,
Committee.

Remarks by Revs. E. F. Hinson, C. F. Fields.

Adopted.

Report on Resolutions:

1st Be it resolved that this association tender its thanks to the kind people of this community for their kind liberality in supporting this Association during its session. 2nd. That we pray that the blessings of Almighty God rest and abide with this people.

W. C. GILLIAM,
W. H. NEWMAN,
Committee.

On motion adopted.

On motion adopted last year's report on Recorder. This is a reading age. Our mails are loaded with literature of some kind or other, bringing reading matter to our doors, and our people are going to read something, either good or bad, hence we should all read the Recorder, the organ of the Baptists of N. C. which will give us in information along all lines of denominational work in all of its phases; therefore, we recommend all our people to subscribe for the Recorder and give their children wholesome matters to feed the brain and develop good moral character. Respectfully submitted.

R. L. CHURCH,
LEVI McCANN,
Committee.

Adopted.

Motion to impower the clerk to have 300 minutes printed and distributed.

Report on Sunday School read:

We have more Sunday School scholars in North Carolina than any other State in the Southern Baptist Convention, for which we are glad. Yet we feel that there is a great deal to do before out Sunday-schools are what they should e. We have some churches that have no Sunday-school at all, while others have only a few months in the year.

We greatly deplore this lack of interest in Sunday-school work, as we consider the Sunday-school the greatest help to the church to build up the kingdom of Christ here on earth; and we recommend that all churches take more interest in Sunday-school work in the future. We believe that parents should attend Sunday-school with their children instead of sending them, as the Sunday-school is intended for the old folks as well as their children, and their presence adds greatly to the work.

E. F. HINSON,
J. S. ELLIOTT,
Committee.

Motion that the Sunday-school report be adopted and held until tomorrow at 10:00 a. m. for discussion.

Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. G. Cothren to preach tonight and Rev. C. F. Fields tomorrow at 11:00 a. m.

SATURDAY NIGHT

7:30 p. m.

Singing by choir. Rev. G. Cothren delivered an interesting sermon.

Clerk's Statement:

I find I have $53.50 on hand. Paid for printing minutes and turned balance over to different objects which it was for.

Motion to adjourn until time and place of next session.

Song, "How Firm a Foundation," while having an old time hand shake.

Prayer by Rev. G. Cothren.

Song, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow."

Benediction by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Sunday being a very bad day there was no service.

Thus closed a very lovely session of the Elkin Association.

T. C. DeBORDE, Moderator.
J. A. BURCHAM, Clerk.

The Finance Committee made the following report which was adopted:

CHURCHES	Minutes	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Pastor	Old Ministers	Orphanage	Total
Shoaley Branch	.75				25.00			25.75
Pleasant Hill	1.85	2.68	2.00		40.00	2.00	2.00	50.53
Poplar Springs	1.30						2.00	3.30
White Plains	.50						1.01	1.51
Elkin Valley	1.50						3.05	4.55
Rock Creek	1.00				25.00		1.25	27.25
Liberty Grove	3.35	5.00	50.00	5.00	25.00	1.50	11.50	101.35
Cool Springs	2.50						2.04	4.54
Center	1.00							1.00
Pleasant Home	2.00					2.00	2.00	6.00
Mt. Pleasant	2.10	1.00	1.25	1.25	40.00	2.35	1.25	42.90
Total	17.85	8.68	53.25	6.25	155.00	7.85	26.10	274.98

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Died	No. Males	No. Females	Total	Ordained Ministers
Pleasant Home	G. M. Burcham, Elkin	W. G. Burcham, Roaring River	2	1		1			55	81	136	1
Cool Springs	J. Z. ADAMS, State Road	Felix Gambill, Austin	12	3	1	4		4	77	130	207	1
Elkin Valley	Grant Cothren, Lomax	Clyde Woodruff, Elkin		1		1	1	1	20	27	52	2
Rock Creek	J. A. Blevins, Hayes	A. Brewer, N. Wilkesboro	7	3		9	4		83	135	218	1
Shoaley Branch	Grant Cothren, Lomax	H. F. Tulbert, Austin	1			1		2	31	61	92	
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	23	1		1		1	43	71	114	1
Liberty Grove	A. T. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro	Charley Church, N. Wilkesboro	1	1		7		1	78	45	123	2
Poplar Springs	John Burcham Roaring River	J. F. Burcham, State Road						1	15	34	49	1
Center	Grant Cothren, Lomax	W. B. Hall, Thurmond				1	1		18	26	44	2
White Plains	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	H. S. Sparks, Ronda	4	2					61	95	156	1
Mt. Pleasant	Grant Cothren, Lomax	J. M. Smith	3						24	35	59	

CHURCHES	S. S. SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Number Officers and Teachers	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Months kept open	Number of Baptisms from S. S.	DELEGATES
Pleasant Home	Rev. Jno. Burcham, Roaring River	7	112	60		1	W.M.Jolly, J.W.Cheek, W.G.Burcham
Cool Springs	E. W. Settle, Benham	9	137	58	6	6	C.M.Carter, John Mickel, M.L.Pettyjohn
Elkin Valley	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin	5	115	45	12		Clyde Woodruff, W.J.Harmon, T.C.DeBorde
Rock Creek	N. P. Myers, N. Wilkesboro	8	78	57	8	6	A.Brewer, Robt. Whitley, Z. T. Higgins
Shoaley Branch							H.F.Tulbert, W.F.Norman, W.H.Newman
Pleasant Hill	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	6	78	48	9	2	W'C.Gilliam, Eli Walls, George Couch
Liberty Grove	J. O. Emmerson N. Wilkesboro	7		34	12		J.O.Emmerson, J.A.Caudill, C.E.Burchette
Poplar Springs	J. W. Gentry, State Road	6	65	56	5		J.F.Burcham, J.A.Chapman, J.W.Gentry
Center	W. B. Hall, Thurmond	6	35		3		A.A.Parks, W.B.Hall, S.J.Burcham
White Plains	W. F. Byrd, Roaring River	6	78	38	8	4	Ed. Parks, W. F. Byrd, H. S. Sparks
Mt. Pleasant							J.M.Smith, E.M. Eldridge, J.Q.Adams

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MINUTES

OF THE

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

MOUNT PLEASANT CHURCH, 1915

OFFICERS.

T. C. DE BORDE, Moderator.....Elkin, N. C.
J. W. GENTRY, Clerk.....State Road, N. C.

The next session of the Elkin Baptist Association will be held with Shoaley Branch Church, three miles west of State Road Station, on the E. & A. R. R., beginning on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1916.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, THURSDAY, SEPT. 30, 1915.

This Association met at Mount Pleasant Church at 12 m.

Introductory sermon preached by Rev. J. S. Elliott. Text, 143rd Psalm, 9th verse.

Intermission. 10 minutes.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. S. Elliott.

Upon request for letters, seven were handed in, read and delegates enrolled. Also Little Elkin Church presented a letter asking admittance, and was gladly received.

Elected by acclamation, Brother T. C. DeBorde, Moderator, and J. W. Gentry, Clerk.

The following Committees were appointed:

Arrangements—Rev. J. S. Elliott. Felix Gambill, Floyd Tulbert, M. L. Pettyjohn, and Clyde Woodruff.

Temperance—Rev. J. W. Burchette and L. G. Settle.

Orphanage—Rev. C. F. Fields and M. L. Pettyjohn.

Missions—Rev. J. S. Elliott and S. E. Newman.

Pastoral and Church Relations—J. C. Spencer.

Religious Exercises—Delegates of Mount Pleasant Church.

Ministerial Relief—Rev. E. F. Hinson, W. L. Hanes.

Sunday School—Rev. J. Z. Adams, D. T. N. Edwards.

Education—T. A. Gentry, A. Caudill.

Finance—J. A. Walls, W. L. Hanes.

Time, Place and Preacher—J. C. Spencer, T. A. Gentry.

Resolutions—W. D. Tucker, S. Gentry.

Periodicals—Dr. K. Thompson, Rev. E. F. Hinson, C. W. Williams.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. J. Z. Adams preach tomorrow at 11 a. m.

On motion, adjourned till 9:30 tomorrom.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Rev. J. S. Elliott read a part of the sixth chapter of Isaiah and vocalized prayer.

The Association was called to order by Moderator.

Minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We are very glad of the great effort that is being and has been made to stop the use of all intoxicants and strong drink. We think it is one great uplift to the cause of Christ and His Kingdom to stop intoxicants.

We truly hope that the time will speedily come when the Churches will be able to crush all stain of Satan and sin that is being kept up throughout the world by the use of strong dring.

We hope we may apply ourselves more useful, receive more help and gain more victories.

L. G. SETTLE, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. D. S. Hubbell and Rev. H. J. Carter.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Arrangements was read and adopted.

Visitors invited: Rev. D. S. Hubbell, from the Surry Association, accepted a seat.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

The Baptist Relief Board is entitled to the sympathy and offering of the Christian people. They are doing all they can for the aged ministers who have worn out their lives preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ.

E. F. HINSON,
W. L. HANES,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. D. S. Hubbell and Rev. H. J. Carter.

Adopted.

Sermon by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Text: Acts 1-8, "Ye shall be witness unto me." Prayer by Rev. D. S. Hubbell.

Adjourned one hour.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

After singing, Rev. H. J. Carter vocalized prayer.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Rules of Constitution, Decorum, and Articles of Faith read.

Roll of Delegates called.

The Committee on Pastoral and Church Relations submitted the following report:

The pastor should always be prompt, ever looking to the welfare of his Church and people. He should give them the true word of God, which means so much to the world of mankind. The Church should look after the pastor. They should give him of their means to enable him to study the word, and pray for him that he may be able to preach the gospel in its purity. We believe many blessings will come to them from a deeper interest in the work.

J. C. SPENCER, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. C. Spencer and Rev. D. S. Hubbell.

Adopted.

Letters called for. Two were presented, read and delegates enrolled.

The request of Mount Pleasant Church, asking for a letter of dismission, was granted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Evangelism is not merely a work of love. It is the law of self preservation. Men may glorify the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, but such beliefs will never send Missionaries to face the malarial belt of Africa or the cannibals of the South Pacific. The heathenism which is creeping along the fences of society is scattering its seed on both sides. As we love our neighbor, we must try to do him good; therefore, if Christians do not make the world better the world will surely make the Church worse.

There are now more than 800,000,000 heathen in the world, and I do not know but some of them will drift and we shall find them in the city of God, but I do know that by giving them the gospel, that by building up and supporting among them a Christian Church, we shall greatly multiply their chances for heaven. If, in the future, there shall be activity, free giving, ready going, a full treasure, able men who say, "Here am I, send me," it will be that through all the organization Christ lives and His personal Spirit works.

S. E. NEWMAN,
J. S. ELLIOTT,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. S. Elliott and Rev. D. S. Hubbell.

Adopted.

Prayer by Rev. J. S. Elliott.
Adjourned.

EVENING SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

Singing by Choir.
Sermon by Rev. H. J. Carter. Text: First John, 3-2, "For we shall know Him as He is."

SATURDAY MORNING.

Song, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," after which Rev. C. F. Fields read the thirteenth chapter of Romans and vocalized prayer.
Association called to order by the Moderator.
Visitors invited: Dr. K. Thomson and C. W. Williams, from the Surry Association, accepted seats.
Minutes of yesterday's meeting read and adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage, which was established about thirty years ago under the management of J. H. Mills, and now under the management of Rev. M. L. Kesler, has 450 children at Thomasville and 50 at the Kennedy Home, making 500
We now have the twelfth building completed at Thomasville, and it is being occupied by the little children. The gift of Dr. Little will greatly help the Orphanage when it is available.
The Orphanage is $10,000 in debt, because of the severe drouth which cut the crop last year, and building the infirmary for small children.
We recommend larger contributions, and that all our Sunday Schools take one collection each month for the Orphanage, and that each of our Church members give one day's work, or its price, at Thanksgiving Day to the Orphanage.
We recommend that all our people take Charity and Children.

Respectfully submitted,
C. F. FIELDS.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. E. F. Hinson and Rev. D. S. Hubbell.
Adopted.
Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. D. S. Hubbell preach today and Rev. E. F. Hinson tonight.
Visitors invited: Brother Finley Gentry, from the Stone Mountain Association, accepted a seat.
At 11 a. m., sermon by Rev. D. S. Hubbill. Text: John 15-14, "Ye are my friends, if ye do whatever I command you."
Adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Song, "There is a Fountain."
Prayer by Rev. H. J. Carter.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

All people should read. Good literature makes men better. Bad literature makes men worse. The country is full of literature, and the poorest is often read while the best is neglected. In many of our Baptist homes almost anything can be found except our own religious papers. The Recorder goes into only about one out of every six Baptist homes in North Carolina. In this Association the Recorder is, perhaps, in less than a dozen homes. Brethren, can we expect our boys and girls to become strong and useful men and women unless we put in their homes good literature. Except the Bible, there is nothing better than our own periodicals—The Biblical Recorder and The Charity and Children. They should be in every Baptist home in North Carolina.

K. THOMPSON,
C. W. WILLIAMS,
E. F. HINSON,
Committee.

Remarks by Brother C. W. Williams, Dr. K. Thomson, Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. D. S. Hubbell.
Adopted.
The report on Finance was adopted.

RREPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER.

We, your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, beg leave to report:

That the next session of this Association is to convene with Shoaley Branch Church, three miles west of State Road Station, on the E. & A. R. R., beginning Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1916.

Rev. C. F. Fields is to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. J. S. Elliott, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. SPENCER,
T. A. GENTRY,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The blessings of education no man denies; its necessity no wise man doubts; and its opportunities no just citizen would withhold from the public. Three things are essential in good

citizenship—a heart so honorable that it cannot be corrupted, a mind so intelligent that it cannot be deceived, and a hand so trained as to worthily take a part in the forward march of prosperity.

We should, therefore, encourage our public schools and help to make them the best possible. But as the public schools cannot complete the work of education, we must, as Christians and Church members, maintain Christian schools. We have now under the auspices of the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention such a school at Mountain View. The principal of the past year is still in charge, and the faculty otherwise remains the same.

The Girls' Home and Administration Building have been completed, and arrangements have been made for the boys who will come as boarding students. The Church, Sunday School, prayer meetings and B. Y. P. U. are all helpful in guiding the students toward a higher life.

In the years gone by our section has greatly improved; industry, sobriety and patriotism have increased. May all in this Association get busy and help in doing all things that make for man's uplift and God's glory.

We, your Committee, heartily recommend for your attention C. F. Fields as a Trustee of our School.

Respectfully,

A. CAUDILL.
J. H. BURCHAM,
Committee.

Remarks by Brother A. Caudill, Rev. C. F. Fields and Brother C. W. Williams.

Adopted.

Motion that we insert a cut of Mountain View School Building in our minutes.

RESOLUTION.

Be it Resolved, That we ask the pastors of the several Churches of this Association to appoint representatives in their respective Churches to solicit funds for the following objects the coming year: Pastor's Salary, Orphanage, Ministerial Relief. and Missions.

W. L. HANES, Committee.

First. Be it resolved that this Association tender its thanks to the kind people of this community for their kind liberality in supporting this Association during its session.

Second. That we pray that the blessings of Almighty God rest and abide with this people.

W. D. TUCKER, Committee.

Motion made that we empower the Clerk to have 500 Minutes printed and distributed among the several Churches of the Association.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Paid out for printing Minutes	$15.00
Mailing expenses	.50
Sent to Walters Durham	23.21
Total	$38.70

On motion, adjourned till time and place of next Association.
Song, "Parting Hand."
Prayer by Dr. K. Thompson.

EVENING MEETING, 7:30 P. M.

Singing by Choir.
Sermon by Rev. E. F. Hinson. Text: Thessalonians 5-11, "Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do."

SUNDAY MORNING.

After singing, Rev. E. F. Hinson read the Twenty-third Psalm and offered prayer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

We, your Committee on Sunday School, beg leave to report the following, viz.:

We realize the fact that our Sunday Schools are progressing nicely. However, there seems to be a large percent of our people not enrolled in the Sunday School. Therefore, we recommend:

First. That our Sunday School Superintendents take a census of the territory over which his Sunday School is supposed to cover, in order that he may find out where his people are, who they are, and what they are.

Second. We advise that a campaign be made to get every person in the Sunday School. After this be done, let us all remember that we are the light that is set on a hill that can not be hid. Let your light so shine that it may light up the pathway and lead every boy and girl to the Sunday School every Sunday. Then let your light be of such power as to keep each child under the influence of your Sunday School.

J. Z. ADAMS,
D. T. N. EDWARDS,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. D. T. N. Edwards, Dr. K. Thompson, Brother B. J. Snow, and Rev. E. F. Hinson.

Adopted.

Rev. C. F. Fields read the Fourteenth chapter of St. Matthew. Prayer by Rev. Henry Jackson.

Collection was taken for Ministerial Relief, which amounted to $4.00.

Rev. C. F. Fields preached an interesting sermon. Text: First verse of the 108th Psalm, "O God, my heart is fixed," after which we had an old-time handshake, which all seemed to enjoy. Thus closed a lovely session of the Elkin Association.

DELEGATES ENROLLED.

Mount Pleasant—W L. Hanes T. A. Gentry, R. J. Carter.
White Plains—D. T. N. Edwards, Weaver Poplin.
Shoaley Branch—J. C. Spencer, J. A. Darnell, W. F. Norman.
Pleasant Hill—S. E. Newman, W. J. Burcham.
Cool Springs—M. L. Pettyjohn, W. D. Tucker, Felix Gambill.
Liberty Grove—J. S. Elliott.
Elkin Valley—R. C. Woodruff, T. C. DeBorde, Floyd Tulbert.
Poplar Springs—J. W. Gentry, J. Z. Adams, J. A. Chipman.
Little Elkin—L. G. Settle, J. A. Walls.
Center—S. J. Burcham.
Pleasant Home—H. W. Cockerham, W. M. Gentry.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

G. M. Burcham ..... Elkin, N. C.
J. Z. Adams ..... State Road, N. C.
C. F. Fields ..... Elkin, N. C.
Levi McCann ..... Dimmett, N. C.
E. F. Hinson ..... Elkin, N. C.
Henry Jackson ..... Elkin, N. C.
H. J. Carter ..... State Road, N. C.
W. W. Myers ..... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. A. Jordan ..... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley ..... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. F. Smith ..... Austin, N. C.
J. N. Barker ..... Austin, N. C.
W. S. Edwards ..... Ronda, N. C.
J. W. Burchette ..... Knottsville, N. C.
J. S. Elliott ..... Knottsville, N. C.

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STATE ROAD, N. C.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL—FOR YEAR 1914-1915.

Church.	Pastor and Postoffice.	Clerk and Postoffice.	Time of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.	Gains.			Losses.			Number of Males.	Number of Females.	Total Membership.
					By Baptism.	By Letter.	By Restoration.	By Letter.	By Exclusion.	By Death.			
Center	J. R. Barker, Austin	W. B. Hall, Trap Hill			11	5		2			36	33	69
Cool Springs	J. Z. Adams, State Road	Felix Gambill, Austin	2		25			7		3	86	136	222
Elkin Valley	C. F. Fields, Elkin	R. C. Woodruff, Elkin			12	9				1	30	40	70
Liberty Grove	A. T. Pardew, N. Wilkesboro	C. E. Church, Knottsville			3			5	5		62	55	117
Little Elkin	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville	T. G. Settle, Ronda	2								31	27	58
Mount Pleasant	Grant Cothren, Lomax	J. M. Smith, State Road	3		6	1	1	5		2	22	38	60
Pleasant Home	G. M. Burcham, Elkin	W. G. Burcham, Roaring River			7				1	2	60	80	140
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin			14	8				1	51	84	135
Poplar Springs	Levi McCann, Dimmett	J. W. Gentry, State Road	3								16	34	50
Rock Creek	J. A. Blevins, Hays	A. Brewer, North Wilkesboro			4	3		8		2	82	133	215
Shoaly Branch	Grant Cothren, Lomax	Y. B. Johnson, State Road	3		2			1		1	31	61	92
White Plains	J. S. Elliott, Knottsville	H. S. Sparks, Ronda						2	2	1	57	93	150

TABLE II—FINANCIAL—FOR YEAR 1914-1915.

Churches	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Building Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Colleges and Schools	Other Objects	Total
Center	$	$	$	$	$	$ 60	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 60
Cool Springs						2 10		60				2 00		1 85			6 55
Elkin Valley	20 00					2 40		2 63									25 03
Liberty Grove	43 70					2 00						11 90					57 60
Little Elkin						75											75
Mount Pleasant	30 00					85		20		19							31 24
Pleasant Home						1 80						1 20		1 20			4 20
Pleasant Hill	40 00					1 77			1 00	3 59		3 14		2 00			51 50
Poplar Springs						1 00											1 00
Rock Creek	18 00					1 20											19 20
Shoaly Branch	25 00					70											25 70
White Plains						1 00						4 00					5 00

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS—FOR YEAR 1914-1915.

Church.	Superintendent and Postoffice.	Secretary and Postoffice.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Church Members in Sunday School.	Months Kept Open.	Baptisms from School.	School Expenses.	Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions.
Center	M. B. Parks, State Road	W. B. Hall, Thurmond				54		4	7					
Cool Springs	L. M. Hinshaw, Ronda	M. E. Tucker, Elkin		5		120		6	18					
Elkin Valley	T. C. DeRorde, Elkin	Walter Collins, Elkin		6		158		12	10					
Liberty Grove	A. Church, Knottsville	W. Church, Knottsville		7				10	2					
Little Elkin														
Mount Pleasant	J. M. Smith, State Road	Clark Combs, State Road		6		123		5						
Pleasant Home	W. M. Jolly, Roaring River	J. Q. Burcham, Ronda		5		51		6	4					
Pleasant Hill	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	S. E. Newman, Elkin		8		121		12	7					
Poplar Springs	Houston Callaway, State Road	Virgie Hayes, State Road		6		60		6						
Rock Creek	V. Whitley, North Wilkesboro	Evy Myers, N. Wilkesboro		8		57		8	2					
Shoaly Branch	H. F. Tulbert, Austin	J. C. Spencer, Austin		5		45		6	1					
White Plains	F. R. Harris, Roaring River	B. Blackburn, Roaring River		6		53		5						

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MINUTES

OF THE

Thirty-Eighth Annual Session

OF THE

Elkin Baptist Association

Held With

Shoaly Branch Church

Wilkes County, N. C.

Sept. 28, 29, 30 and Oct. 1, 1916.

Next session to be held with Pleasant Hill Church 1½ miles northwest of Elkin, N. C., beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October 1917.

MODERATOR: T. C. De Borde, Elkin, N. C.
CLERK: J. W. Gentry, State Road, N. C.

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PROCEEDINGS

Thursday, Sept. 28, 1916.

The thirty-eighth session of the Elkin Association convened with Shoaly Branch Baptist church today at 12 M.

Introductory sermon by Rev. C. F. Fields; Text, Nehemiah 6:3, "I am doing a great work."

Intermission 30 minutes.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Letters were called for. Nine were handed in, read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center—S. J. Burcham, J. W. McCann.

Cool Springs.—Felix Gambill, E. W. Smith, W. L. Hanes.

Elkin Valley.—B. F. Tulbert, W. J. Harmon, R. C. Woodruff.

Liberty Grove.—By letter.

Little Elkin.—L. G. Settle.

Pleasant Hill.—C. W. Younge.

Pleasant Home.—W. G. Burcham, U. E. Walls.

Poplar Springs.—J. W. Gentry, J. F. Burcham, J. A. Chipman.

Rock Creek.—By letter.

Shoaly Branch—J. C. Spencer, G. W. Gilliam, C. F. Carter.

White Plains.—Weaver Poplin, D. T. N. Edwards.

The delegates of a majority of the churches being present, the Association is regularly organized by the re-election of Brother T. C. DeBorde as Moderator and J. W. Gentry as Clerk.

Rules of Constitution, Decorum, and Articles of Faith read.

The following visitors report, and are welcomed by the Moderator, to-wit: Rev. C. M. Cope from the Ashe Association. and F. G. Brewer from the Stone Mountain.

The following committees were appointed:

Arrangements.—C. F. Fields, J. W. McCann, Grant Burcham, J. C. Spencer, B. F. Tulbert.

Temperance.—Rev. J. Z. Adams, L. G. Settle.

Orphanage.—Rev. C. F. Fields, E. W. Smith.

Missions.—Rev. C. M. Cope, C. W. Younge.

Pastorial and Church Relations.—J. C. Spencer, U. E. Walls.

Religious Exercises.—Delegates and Deacons of Shoaly Branch church.

Ministerial Relief.—Rev. J. Z. Adams, Felix Gambill.

Sunday School.—Rev. C. F. Fields, D. T. N. Edwards.
Education.—G. W. Gilliam, Weaver Poplin.
Finance.—W. J. Harmon, L. G. Settle.
Time, Place, and Preacher.—C. F. Carter, J. A. Chipman.
Resolutions.—J. F. Burcham, S. J. Burcham.
Periodicals.—Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. C. M. Cope.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. J. Z Adams preach tonight and Rev. C. M. Cope tomorrow at 11 a. m.

On motion adjourned till 9 o'clock tomorrow. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields.

EVENING SERVICE.—7:30 P. M.

Singing by choir.

Sermon by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Text: Acts 1:8. "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Spirit is come upon you: and ye shall witness unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

MORNING SESSION.—Sept. 29, 1916.

Singing by choir. Rev. J. Z. Adams read the 23rd. Psalm and vocalized prayer.

The Association called to order by the Moderator. Minutes of yesterday's meeting read and approved.

The report of the committee on arrangements read and adopted.

Roll of Delegates called.

The report on Pastoral and Church Relations read by Bro. J. C. Spencer:

We, your committee on Pastoral and Church Relations, do submit the following report:

The pastor should always be on the watchpost of duty. Realizing that we are living in a progressive age and a greater demand is now upon us for a stronger ministerial work than ever before, therefore, he should visit each home and give personal instructions on benevolent objects and instruct them the way of righteousness as taught in God's word. He is the shepherd of the flock and should see that they are well fed and sheltered with God's truths.

The duty of the churches to the pastor is to pray that he may be able to perform his duty in everyway. It is ordained of God that they that preach the gospel should live of the gospel, therefore, it is the duty of the church to give him of their means, so that he may be able to study the word of God, that he may be able to preach the gospel in its purity, and that he may

instruct his people towards a higher life or morals and usefulness.

J. S. SPENCER, U. E. WALLS,
Committee.

Motion to adopt this report was discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope and Rev. C. F. Fields. Report adopted.

The following report on Temperance was read by Rev. J. Z. Adams:

We should stand by the officers of our country and encourage them in the execution of the laws of our land in suppressing the manufacture and sale of intoxicants. We should discourage the use of any intoxicants in our churches.

J. Z. ADAMS, L. G. SETTLE,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. Z. Adams, Rev. C. F. Fields, and Rev. Levi McCann. Report adopted.

Adjourned for preaching.

Sermon by Rev. C. M. Cope. Text: Matthew 27:42, "He saved others; himself he cannot save."

Adjourned one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Singing by choir. Prayer by Rev. Levi McCann.

The Association called to order by the Moderator.

Then the report on Education was read by Weaver Poplin:

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to report the following:

The blessing of education no man denies; its necessity no wise man would oppose; and the opportunities it gives us no just citizen would try to withold from the public. Three things are essential in good citizenship: A heart so honorable that it cannot be corrupted, a mind so intelligent that it cannot be deceived, and a hand so trained as to worthily take a part in the forward march of prosperity. We should, therefore, encourage our public schools and help to make them the best possible. But as the public schools cannot complete the work of education, we must, as Christians and church members, maintain Christian schools. We have now under the auspices of the Home board of the Southern Baptist Convention such a school at Mountain View. In the years gone by our section has made great progress in education. May all in this Association get

busy in helping to make education a blessing to man and a glory to God.

WEAVER POPLIN, G. W. GILLIAM,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt this report is presented by Bro. Weaver Poplin, Rev. C. M. Cope and Rev. C. F. Fields, after which the report is adopted.

The report on Ministerial Relief was now read by Bro. J. Z. Adams.

MINISTERS' RELIEF REPORT.

Ministers' relief means what its name indicates. The Ministers' Relief Board does its work without any pay. We are under obligation to this board for its service. We, your committee, recommend that all of our churches take a special collection for this object in the Autumn. Let every member give something to help in this good cause.

J. Z. ADAMS, FELIX GAMBILL,
Committee.

Motion to adopt this report was discussed by Rev. J. Z. Adams and Rev. Levi McCann. Report adopted.

Pending motion to adopt a two-day session for our Association instead of three was discussed by Rev. J. Z. Adams, Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. Levi McCann. Motion prevailed.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER.

We, your Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, beg leave to report: That the next session of this Association is to convene with Pleasant Hill church, 1½ miles northwest of Elkin, beginning Friday before the first Sunday in Oct. 1917. Rev. Levi McCann is to preach the introductory sermon at 7 p. m., Rev. J. Z. Adams, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. CHIPMAN, C. W. CARTER, Committee.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Report adopted.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reports that Rev. Levi McCann preach at 7:30 p. m., and Rev. A. J. Williams tomorrow at 11 a. m.

EVENING SERVICE—7 O'clock P. M.

Singing by choir as usual. Sermon by Rev. Levi McCann. Text, Matthew 8:3. "I will; be thou clean."

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30, 1916.

The Association met according to adjournment.

Singing by choir. After which Rev. A. J. Williams read the 133rd Psalm and offered prayer.

The following visitors report, and are welcomed by the Moderator, to-wit: Rev. J. D. Moore, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. A. J. Williams from the Surry Association and Bro. E. G. Settle from the Stone Mt.

Rev. C. F. Fields now reads the report on Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage located at Thomasville about 31 years ago, has had under its care thousands of boys and girls, and now has 450 children. The Kennedy Home has 50 making in all 500. Recently two cottages have been built at Kennedy Home and at Thomasville the Durham Nursery. The current fund for last year was $46941.73, subscription to paper $9182.25, advertising and job work $4821.47. In all $60946.13. Leaving the Orphanage in debt $21.000. The donations of Dr. Little, Misses Gallaway, Brethren Biggs and Johnson have and will greatly aid the Orphanage: but we must not conclude that the Orphanage does not need our help. Let us give liberally to this work. We recommend every one to give at least one day's work att Thanksgiving to the Orphanage. Let every Sunday school take charity and children.

C. F. FIELDS, E. W. SMITH,
Committee.

On motion to adopt Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. J. D. Moore speak to this subject, after which the report is adopted. Collection for Orphanage was taken up at this time which amounted to $2.42..

Adjourned for preaching.

Sermon by Rev. A. J. Williams. Text. Isaiah 55:4, "Behold I have given him, a leader and commander."

Adjourned 'till I p. m.

Met according to adjournment.

Singing by choir. Prayer by Rev. Levi McCann.

The report on Missions was read by Rev. C. M. Cope.

Bro. J. P. Holbrook from the Stone Mt. Association reports himself as a visitor and is welcomed by the Moderator.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Jesus said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." North Carolina is in the world. He also taught through his inspired Apostles that the field is the world, North Carolina is a part of the field. Jesus also said ye shall be

witnesses unto me in Jerusalem. So the Master taught us to do State Mission work both by precept and example. He began his work at home and extended it as far as human limitations would allow. In his specific instruction and commission he told his disciples to begin at home. After two thousand years experience we see the wisdom of his teaching, for we find that the most highly cultivated and strongest Christians sections of the world need missionaries. One of the primary objects of the Baptist State Convention from its organization in 1830 to the present time is to support the gospel in destitute sections of the State. We, as Baptists, will prove unfaithful to the trust reposed in us by the Master unless we see to it that the religious progress of our State keeps pace with its material and educational progress. Let us all consecrate ourselves more fully to this improtant work.

The Home Mission Society of the Southern Baptist Convention seeks the diffusion of the gospel in our Southern States. The means employed are various, mainly these; the preaching of the gospel, establishing churches, and the circulation of the Scriptures. These operations are carried on where God opens a door, and gives entrance. It is here our missionaries meet the foreigners as he reaches our shores and begins to teach him of the Christ who came to save him and give to him the gospel in his own language. Again Christ in his last command said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." this includes the whole world wherever there is a human soul and our work is not complete as Baptists who have been saved by the blood of Jesus Christ until we have done all in our power to give the whole world the whole gospel. Brethren, may we feel the responsibility of obeying our Savior's last command as never before.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. COPE, C. W. YOUNGE,

Committee.

On motion to adopt this report was discussed by Rev. C. M. Cope and Rev. J. D. Moore. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Our children are going to read something. Therefore, it is necessary for us parents to see that the right kind of literature is placed in the hands of our children. It is necessary for us to know our duty to our God. Therefore, we should read religious literature. For 82 years the Bibical Recorder has served as the organ of the Baptist State Convention. During this

period it has faithfully advocated and stood by the great fundamental doctrines of our denomination. To the busy pastor its weekly visits are welcome and many a message from the pulpit has its origin from reading its pages. To the laymen it imparts information as to what we are as a denomination, and the pressing needs of God's kingdom. In consideration of these things we urge all pastors of this Association to endeavor to place the Recorder in every home in their respective churches.

C. F. FIELDS, C. M. COPE,

Committee.

On motion to adopt, Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. J. D. Moore spoke on this subject, after which the report was adopted.

Song, "We Will Walk in the Light." Then Prof. E. G. Settle addressed us on the subject of education.

On motion the clerk is instructed to have 400 minutes printed and distributed to the churches of this Association.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, that the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered, to the members and community of Shoaly Branch Church for the hospitality and Christian fellowship which they have given to the delegates of this Association; and furthermore, that we pray God's blessings rest upon them all.

S. J. BURCHAM, J. F. BURCHAM,

Committee.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. J. D. Moore preach tonight at 7p. m., and Rev. C. F. Fields tomorrow at 11 a. m.

On motion, adjourned till time and place of our next Association. eBnedictoion by Rev. J. D. Moore.

EVENING MEETING.—7 P. M.

Singing by choir. Sermon by Rev. J. D. Moore. Text, Gen. 22:1-2.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Met at 9:30 for song services, after which Rev. A. J. Williams read the First Psalm and vocalized prayer.

The following report on Sunday school was read by Rev. C. F. Fields: We find authority for Sunday school in God's word. Christ went into the Synagogue on the Sabbath and stood up to read, as was his custom. God commanded that his law be read to their children and to their children's children and to the stranger within the gates. We are glad that Sunday school work is hopeful in North Carolina, but it is far from

what it ought to be. We should have an evergreen Sunday school in every church and every church member should be a member of the Sunday school.

The training of officers and teachers would be a great help to Sunday school work in this Association.

We recommend the teaching of Baptist literature in all our Sunday schools.

We need to stop indulging in platitudes and get down to practical plans and diligent work.

C. F. FIELDS, Committee.

On motion to adopt, Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. J. D. Moore addresses us on this subject, after which the report was adopted.

Took collection for Ministers' Relief which amounted to $2.35.

Sermon at 11 a. m., by Rev. C. F. Fields. Text, Ephesians 2:8.

Adjourned till 1 p. m.

Met according to adjournment. Singing as usual.

Rev. J. D. Moore now spoke on the subject of B. Y. P U., which he fully explained. We hope our churches will soon become interested in this good cause, and will train our young people for better service in Christian work.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Paid for printing	$15.00
Other expenses	1.00

Reserved the balance of minute fund for services. Sent to Walter Durham all moneys paid in for other objects.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

G. M. Burcham	Elkin, N. C.
J. Z. Adams	State Road, N. C.
C. F. Fields	Elkin, N. C.
Levi McCann	Dimmett, N. C.
E. F. Hinson	Elkin, N. C.
Henry Jackson	Elkin, N. C.
W. W. Myers	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. A. Jordan	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. F. Smith	Austin, N. C.
J. N. Barker	Austin, N. C.
W. S. Edwards	Ronda, N. C.
J. W. Burchette	Knottsville, N. C.
J. S. Elliott	Knottsville, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastors and their Postoffices	Clerks and their Postoffices	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Gain by Baptism	Gain by Letter	Gain by Restoration	Loss by Letter	Loss by Exclusion	Loss by Death	Number of Males	Number of Females	Total Membership
Center	J. N. Barker, Austin, N. C.	W. B Hall, Austin, N. C.	1	400	11					1	20	33	53
Cool Springs	C. F. Fields, Elkin, N. C.	Felix Gambill, Austin, N. C.	2		26		2	4		3	98	145	243
Elkin Valley	C. F. Fields, Elkin, N. C.	W. J. Harmon, Elkin, N. C.	1	800	16	7			3		35	54	89
Liberty Grove	J. S. Elliott, Knottville, N. C.	R L. Church, Knottville, N. C.			4			2	9	5	52	60	112
Little Elkin	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville, N. C.	L. G Settle, Ronda, N. C.	4	500		2		1		1	33	27	60
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville, N. C.	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin, N. C.	4		32	3	3	5	1	3	66	99	165
Pleasant Home	Levi McCann, Dimmettee, N. C.	W. G. Burcham	4					3			58	79	137
Poplar Springs	Levi McCann, Dimmettee, N. C.	J. W. Gentry, State Road, N. C.	3		17	1	1			1	25	43	68
Rock Creek	A. B. Hays, Hays, N. C.	A. Brewer, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	2		21	5	2	5		1			237
Shoaly Branch	Grant Cothren, Lomax, N. C.	J. C. Spencer, Austin, N. C.	3				1	2		1	31	59	90
White Plains	A. T. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	Weaver Poplin, Roaring River, N. C.	3					7		2	50	84	134

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Minute Fund	State Mission	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Total
Center	$	$ .75	$	$	$	$	$	$ .75
Cool Springs		2.65				3.78		6.43
Elkin Valley	34.00	3.25	4.00			7.01	6.75	55.01
Liberty Grove	36.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	8.09	4.00	59.09
Little Elkin		1.70				1.05	1.10	3.85
Pleasant Hill	40.00	2.05	2.50		2.50	2.50	2.50	52.05
Pleasant Home		2.30				1.75		4.05
Poplar Springs	18.00	1.50				1.05		20.55
Rock Creek		1.05		5.73				6.78
Shoaly Branch		1.75						1.75
White Plains	5.00	1.00						6.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE.

CHURCHES	Superintendent and Postoffice	Secretary and Postoffice	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Average Attendance	Total Enrollment	Church member in S. S.	Months kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Center												
Cool Springs	A. C. Walls, Ronda			6	45			6	17			
Elkin Valley	T. C. De Borde, Elkin	W R. Harmon, Elkin	1		63	137		12		$7.50	$11.65	$19.15
Little Elkin	T. D. Lyon, Ronda	J. A. Walls, Ronda	1	7	22	41	33	9		2.40		2.40
Pleasant Hill	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	S. E. Newman, Elkin	1	6	57	98		12				
Pleasant Home					40	60		6				
Poplar Springs	J. H. Calloway, State Road	Nettie Ray, State Road	1									
Rock Creek												
Shoaly Branch												
White Plains	Weaver Poplin, Roaring River	Barney Blackburn, Roaring River	1	6		59		6	12			

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PROCEEDINGS.

Friday October 5, 1917.

The Thirty-ninth Annual Session of The Elkin Baptist Association convened with Pleasant Hill Church today at 12 M. Song: "What a Friend We have in Jesus." Prayer by Rev. W. S. Edwards.

The Association was called to order by Moderator.

Letters were called for. Eleven were handed in, read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center—W. B. Johnson.

Elkin Valley—W. J. Harmon, S. R. Collins.

Cool Spring—Felix Gambill, W. D. Tucker, M. L. Pettyjohn.

Liberty Grove—R. L. Church, Charles McCarter.

Little Elkin—J. M. Vanhoy.

Pleasant Home—M. F. Barker, C. C. Burcham.

Pleasant Hill—U. A. Gilliam, C. H. Day, T. R. Newman.

Poplar Spring—J. W. Gentry, J. F. Burcham, J. A. Chipman.

Rock Creek—N. P. Myers.

Shoaly Branch—Dallas Carter.

White Plains—Weaver Poplin.

Delegates of all the churches being present, the Association is regularly organized by the re-election of Brother T. C. DeBorde moderator and J. W. Gentry clerk.

The following visitors report and are welcomed by the moderator, to-wit: Rev. J. W. Bryant from the Yadkin Association and Rev. C. F. Fields from the Stone Mt.

Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and Articles of Faith were read by the moderator.

The following Committees were appointed:

Arrangements—Rev. W. S. Edwards, R. L. Church, Rev. J. W. Bryant, Dallas Carter and J. F. Burcham.

Temperance—Rev. J. W. Bryant and R. L. Church.

Orphanage—Rev. W. W. Myers, Eli Walls.

Missions—Dr. E. L. Middleton, Rev. W. S. Edwards.

Pastoral and Church Relations—M. L. Pettyjohn, C. C. Burcham.

Religious Exercises—Delegates and Deacons of this church.

Ministerial Relief—C. F. Fields, Felix Gambill.

Sunday Schools—Dr. E. L. Middleton, Eli Walls.

Finance—Weaver Poplin and T. R. Newman.
Education—E. R. Settle, J. A. Walls.
Time, Place and Preacher—Edgar Tucker, C. E. McCarter.
Resolutions—R. L. Church, J. F. Burcham.
Periodicals—Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. W. W. Myers.
Obituaries—Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. W. W. Myers.

On motion, the request of Liberty Grove church asking for a letter of dismission, was granted.

Invitation to visiting brethren, Dr. E. L. Middleton accepted a seat with us.

Song: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Adjourned one hour. Prayer by Rev. W. W. Myers.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song: "Jesus, Lover, etc." Prayer by Rev. C. F. Fields. Visitors invited, Bro. J. S. Kilby accepted a seat.

Report on Old Ministers' relief:

The Old Ministers' Relief Board located at Durham, N. C., is aiding about 85 old ministers and the widows of old ministers. Brethren there is no cause more worthy that claims our attention than this. So let us not forget our duty to these old veterans of the cross; and especially let us not forget to make a Christmas offering to these old brethren.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. FIELDS,
FELIX GAMBILL,

On motion, was discussed by Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. W. W. Myers, Rev. Levi McCann. Report adopted.

The following report on Sunday Schools was read by Dr. E. L. Middleton:

Nothing is more clearly taught in the Bible than the fact that God wants us to teach His word to the people. Every time Israel wandered away from God they were brought back largely through teaching. In New Testament times Jesus and the Apostles made teaching a great factor in the spread of the Gospel. Since the close of the Bible story whenever God's people have magnified teaching His cause has prospered and whenever they neglected it His cause has languished.

The Sunday School work goes well among Baptists in North Carolina. We take just three glimpses of the facts regarding these schools. In 1879 there were 914 schools with a membership of 115,046; in 1916 there were 1,460 schools with a membership of 115,709; in 1916 there were 2,123 with a membership of 221,148.

There is progress along all lines—teacher training, improved buildings and equipment, taking a religious census to reach the people, grading the schools to improve the organization, organizing home departments to reach the shut-ins, buying workers libraries to learn the best methods and planning evangelistic campaigns to win the lost.

For next year let us make progress along all lines. We recommend the following as our aims:

1. Definite campaigns for reaching more of our people for our schools. A religious census with a follow-up convass will help greatly.

2. An earnest effort to get our officers and teachers enlisted in the great work of Teacher Training. Our schools can never be what they should be until we have trained workers.

3. A close touch and co-operation with the Sunday School Department of our Mission Board. The Secretary, E. L. Middleton, Raleigh, N. C., will furnish, free, valuable tracts and suggestions on every phase of Sunday School work. Let this co-operation include liberal offering in our schools for the expenses of Sunday School Missions.

Finally, a vitalizing of all our schools to make them more effective in evangelism and definite in training every one for personal service.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. WALLS,
E. L. MIDDLETON,
Committee.

On motion to adopt this report Dr. E. L. Middleton delivered an interesting address on this subject, after which the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg to submit the following report:

Never in the History of America has it behooved her people to the support of our temperance leaders as we are now living in a new temperance era. We have had a new national law since Sept. 8, prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicants. We earnestly request that our pastors make special effort to lead our churches to their Christian duty on intemperance, to suspend the use of cigarettes among our young and above all we should recommend a Christian campaign against the in-

temperate use of the tongue which is filled with deadly poison and does so much to upset our Christian untiy.

J. W. BRYANT,
R. L. CHURCH,
Committee.

On motion to adopt this report, Rev. J. W. Bryant, Bro. R. L. Church, Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. Levi McCann speak to this subject. Report adopted.

Rev. W. W. Myers and Bro. A. C. Walls were appointed trustees of Mountain View School.

Song: "Blest Be the Tie." On motion adjourned. Prayer by Dr. E. L. Middleton.

EVENING SESSION.

Introductory sermon by Rev. Levi McCann at 7:30 P. M. Text: John, 17:22.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises conducted by Dr. E. L. Middleton.

The association called to order by moderator. Minutes of yesterday's meeting read and approved.

The report on arrangements read and adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

We, your Committee on Orphanage, submit the following: We have at present 505 children in the home. It costs $127.75 per year or 35c. a day per child. They must be fed and clothed.

We advise this association to give more liberally to this cause and set apart Thanksgiving Day for that purpose.

W. W. Myers,
E. P. WALLS,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. W. W. Myers, Dr. R. L. Middleton, Bro. R. L. Church. Report adopted.

Again visiting brethren were invited and Prof. E. R. Settle from Mountain View School accepted a seat with us.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

The relation between pastor and church is very close. The pastor is the shepherd of the flock and should watch over the flock and feed them with the pure word of the Gospel and lead them in the work of the Lord, doing all he can to develop

all the members of his church. In order to do this the church should stand by the pastor in all efforts to further the Lord's work, ever praying for him and co-operating with him in his work.

The church should support the pastor in order that he may give his time in studying and preparing himself for the work. Christ said, "The workman is worthy of his hire."

M. L. PETTYJOHN,
C. C. BURCHAM,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, this report was discussed by Rev. C. F. Fields and Rev. J. W. Bryant. Report adopted.

MISSION REPORT.

Mission is sending the Gospel to those who do not have it. We are commanded again and again to do this. We have named ourselves "Missionary Baptists." If we do not go ourselves or give our money to send others we are not true to our name.

As a denomination we have several branches or departments of the work. We are trying to carry out the command of Jesus in Acts 1:8. We are witnessing for Him in Jerusalem or our own community; in Judea or our own state; unto Samaria or the other states of the South and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

State Missions is work in North Carolina. We are now using 150 missionaries in nearly 300 churches and mission points. The work also includes church building and work for the training of our young people in Christian service, in the B. Y. P. U. and the Sunday-schools.

Home Missions is a co-operation with other states in mission work in the South, in Cuba and Panama. The work is well organized, doing work in weak places, among foreigners, and some work with the negroes. Aid is given to mountain schools, churches are built in weak places.

Foreign missions is carried on in every continent of the earth. God is richly blessing our efforts and is calling for larger gifts. Let us hear the call.

We urge our churches to give to all these objects. Is it too much to ask each church to try to average ten cents per member next year? This would be more than we now give. Let us see our duty and do it.

E. L. MIDDLETON,
W. S. EDWARDS,
Committee.

On motion to adopt this report Dr. E. L. Middleton delivered an interesting lecture on this subject after which the report was adopted.

Adjourned one hour. Prayer by Rev. W. W. Myers.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met according to adjournment. Song, "Sweet Hour of Prayer." Prayer by Rev. E. F. Hinson.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

This is a reading age. Our people are going to read something either good or bad, therefore it is important to place good wholesome literature in the hands of our people, especially our young people. Our mails are flooded with rotten stuff not fit for any one to read. We recommend all our our people to read the Bible and other good books. We also recommend all our people to read the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, and Home and Foreign Fields and keep themselves posted on our work.

C. F. FIELDS,
W. W. MYERS,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. W. S. Edwards, Bro. T. C. DeBorde, and Rev. E. T. Hinson.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

..The blessing of education no man denies, its promotion and development no wise man would oppose, and the opportunities it gives us no just citizen would try to withhold from the public. Three things are essential in our Christian living: A hand so trained as to take a part in the forward march to prosperity, a mind so intelligent that it cannot be deceived, and a heart so pure, so in touch with God that it cannot be corrupted.

Never has the world been so shaken from center to circumference, never has been Christian doctrine and belief so tried as it were in the fire as at the present time. Never have Chirstians had so great an opportunity for the spread of the Gospel. Great intelligence and undying love are needed in these days of world wide war.

We Baptists believe we have a message from God, and a mission to carry His word to a lost world. We cannot successfully do this in ignorance. Thtrefore we would encourage the education of all our people. We are glad to recommend to our peo-

pleple our Baptist School at Mountain View. Let us give this school our support and prayers. For college training we recommend Wake Forest and Meredith.

J. A. WALL.
E. R. SETTLE,
Committee.

On motion deferred Prof. E. R. Settle speech till Sunday morning.

On motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER.

We your committee on Time, Place, and Preacher beg leave to report that the next session of this association is to convene with Rock Creek church 4 miles northwest of Roaring River station, beginning Friday before the first Sunday in October. 1918 at 11 A. M. Rev.E. T. Hinson to preach introductory sermon at 11 A. M. Alternate Rev. W. W. Myers.

EDGAR TUCKER.
C. E. McCARTER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from his labors to his resting place in the 58th year of his age our beloved Brother J. W. Burchett who had been a faithful minister of the Gospel for over 30 years contending earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints.

Brother Burchett was a faithful pastor doing a great deal to develop our people along all lines of the Lord's work. Brother Burchett was a kind father, a devoted husband and a good citizen. He will be missed greatly in his home and community. Brother Burchett baptized several hundred of people who hold his memory sacred.

Resolved: That, we bow in humble submission to this act of Providence believing our loss to be his eternal gain, praying God's blessings on his bereaved wife and children.

Respectfully submitted.

C. F. FIELDS.
W. W. MYERS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. W. S. Edwards preach tonight and Rev. J. W. Bryant tomorrow.

Report on Finance read by Weaver Poplin. Report adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved: That, we tender to the members of Pleasant Hill church and community our sincere thanks for the hospitality and Christian fellowship which they have given to the delegates and correspondents of this association and that we pray God's blessings to abide with them and us until we meet again.

R. L. CHURCH,
J. F. BURCHAM,
Committee.

On motion the clerk was instructed to reserve $5.00 out of the minute funds for his services and use the remainder to pay for printing and distributing minutes.

Collection was taken up for minute funds which amounted to $2.25.

On motion adjourned until time and place of our next association.

Song: "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer by Brother Eli Walls.

EVENING SERVICE, 7:30 P. M.

Singing by choir. Sermon by Rev. W. S. Edwards. Text: Matt. 20:6 "Why stand ye here all the day idle."

SUNDAY MORNING

Singing by choir as usual. Rev. W. S. Edwards read the third chapter of Acts and Rev. E. F. Hinson vocalized prayer.

At this time Prof. E. R. Settle delivered an interesting address on the subject of education.

Sermon at 11 A. M. by Rev. J. W. Bryant, Text: Revelation 3:18 "I counsel thee to buy of me gold refiend by fire, that thou mayest become rich; and white garments that thou mayest clothe thyself, and that the shame of thy nakedness be not made manifest; and eyesalve to anoint thine eyes that thou mayest see.
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CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Paid to Walters Durham,	$44.27
Paid for printing minutes,	15.00
For distributing etc.,	1.00

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. S. Edwards, ... Ronda, N. C.
J. S. Elliott, ... Knottville, N. C.
E. F. Hinson, ... Elkin, N. C.
H. P. Jackson, ... Elkin, N. C.
Levi McCann, ...Dimmette, N. C.
J. Z. Adams,..... State Road, N. C.
W. W. Myers, ... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. A. Jordan, ... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley, ... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. N. Barker, ...Austin, N. C.
J. F. Smith, ... Austin, N. C.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE.

CHURCH	Superintendent and Postoffice	Secretary and Postoffice	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptism from School	School expenses	Total Contributions
Center										$	$
Cool Spring	T. D. Lyon, Ronda, N. C.	Edgar Tucker, Elkin, N. C.	1	6	73	79	38	9	2	2.13	2.13
Elkin Valley	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin, N. C.	Nora Miller, Elkin, N. C.	1	7	145	152	50	12	4	25.00	25.00
Liberty Grove	I. N. Haynes, Knottville, N. C.	Wilma Church, Knottville, N. C.	1	6	48	54		12	2	6.00	6.00
Little Elkin	T. D. Lyon, Ronda, N. C.	J. A. Walls, Ronda, N. C.	1	7	59	66	35	12		3.00	3.00
Pleasant Hill	U. C. Gilliam, Elkin, N. N.	C. G. Couch, Elkin, N. C.	1	7	82	89		12		6.95	6.95
Pleasant Home	W. M. Johnson, Dimmette, N. C.	Mary Gentry, Roaring River, N. C.	1	9	93	102		5		5.65	5.65
Poplar Spring	J. W. Gentry, State Road, N. C.	Navassa Eldridge, State Road, N. C.	1	5	70	75	30	6	2	7.50	7.50
Rock Creek	A. Brewer, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	Mattie Myers, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	1	8	62	70	55	11	3	3.90	3.90
Shoaly Branch	Dallas Carter, Benham, N. C.	J. C. Spencer, Benham, N. C.	1	6	73	79	42	12	10	5.78	5.78
White Plains	W. S. Alexander, Roaring River, N. C.	Berton Poplin, Roaring River, N. C.	1	5	70	75	30	6			

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	Time of preaching	Value of Church Property	Gain by Baptism	Gain by Letter	Gain by Restora'n	Loss by Letter	Loss by exclusion	Loss by Death	Number of Males	Number of Females	Total membership
Center	Willie Cooper, Doughton, N. C.	Charlie Johnson, Thurmond, N. C.	1st	$ 600	4	3		1	1	1	20	36	56
Cool Spring	W. S. Edwards, Ronda, N. C.	Felix Gambill, Benham, N. C.	2nd	800	5			32		4	87	125	212
Elkin Valley	C. F. Fields, Elkin, N. C.	W. J. Harmon, Elkin, N. C.	1st	1000	5						35	59	94
Liberty Grove	J. S. Elliot, Knotville, N. C.	R. L. Church, Knottville, N. C.	4th	800	4	1		1	1	2	51	62	113
Little Elkin	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville, N. C.	L. G. Settle, Ronda, N. C.	4th	1000	2	1					36	32	68
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville, N. C.	U. C. Gilliam, Elkin, N. C.	4th	1200	19	5		3		3	81	107	188
Pleasant Home	Levi McCann, Dimmette, N. C.	W. G. Burcham, Roaring River, N. C.	4th		3	3	1	3	1	1	58	83	141
Poplar Spring	Levi McCann, Dimmette, N. C.	J. W. Gentry, State Road, N. C.	3rd	600	2						26	44	70
Rock Creek	W. W. Myers, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	A. Brewer, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	2nd	400	13	4		3	2				249
Shoaly Branch	Grant Cothren, Lomax, N. C.	J. C. Spencer, Benham, N. C.	3rd	800	12	1		3	1		38	61	99
White Plains	A. T. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.	Weaver Poplin, Roaring River, N. C.	3rd	1000	9			4	1	1	56	83	137

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Total
Center	$26.00	$-- --	$-- --	$-- --	$-- --	$ .50	$-- --	$-- --	$-- --	$-- --	$-- --	$-- --	$-- --	$ 26.50
Cool Spring	-- --	-- --	-- --	2.13	-- --	1.55	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	3.68
Elkin Valley	27.50	-- --	15.00	25.00	-- --	2.35	-- --	4.46	-- --	-- --	-- --	6.20	1.00	81.61
Liberty Grove	36.00	-- --	-- --	6.00	6.16	2.00	-- --	20.63	2.28	2.29	-- --	12.10	6.08	93.54
Little Elkin	30.00	45.00	2.65	3.00	6.00	2.01	-- --	-- --	1.00	-- --	.52	2.00	1.00	93.18
Pleasant Hill	75.00	-- --	-- --	6.95	14.50	1.45	1.11	3.30	1.90	8.35	-- --	3.00	3.21	113.77
Pleasant Home	-- --	-- --	-- --	5.65	-- --	2.38	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	4.43	2.00	14.46
Poplar Spring	-- --	-- --	-- --	7.50	-- --	2.15	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	1.30	1.00	11.95
Rock Creek	30.00	-- --	5.00	3.90	-- --	1.50	-- --	-- --	-- --	1.35	-- --	1.32	-- --	43.07
Shoaly Branch	25.00	-- --	-- --	5.78	-- --	1.50	-- --	-- --	-- --	1.00	-- --	1.30	1.00	42.58
White Plains	40.00	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	1.00	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	41.00

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 1918.

The fortieth annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Rock Creek Church to-day at 11:00 A. M. Song: "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer by Rev. Levi McCann. The Association was called to order by the Moderator. Letters called for. Nine were handed in and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center—C. L. Johnson.

Elkin Valley—T. C. DeBorde, H. D. Woodruff.

Cool Springs—M. L. Pettyjohn, Felix Gambill.

Little Elkin—Chas. C. Walls, L. G. Settle, C. R. Durham.

Pleasant Home—W. G. Burcham, H. W. Cockerham.

Pleasant Hill—W. C. Gilliam.

Poplar Springs—J. A. Chipman.

Rock Creek—A. Brewer, V. Whittley, N. P. Myers.

White Plains—Weaver Poplin, W. M. Sparks.

The Association was regularly organized by the re-election of Bro. T. C. DeBorde Moderator and J. A. Sebastian, Clerk. The following visitors report and are welcomed to seats by the Moderator, to-wit: Rev. J. M. Absher, J. S. Kilby, J. N. Wiles, of the Stone Mountain.

The following Committees were appointed:

Arrangements—W. W. Myers, A. Brewer, W. M. Sebastian, E. F. Hinson, W. C. Gilliam.

Temperance—W. W. Myers, J. M. Absher.

Orphanage—J. A. Jordan, J. N. Wiles.

Missions—J. S. Kilby, M. L. Pettyjohn.

Pastorial and Church Relations—E. F. Hinson, N. P. Myers.

Religious Exercises—H. D. Woodruff, with the delegates of this church.

Ministerial Relief—E. F. Hinson, Felix Gambill.

Sunday Schools—J. M. Absher, H. W. Cockerham.

Finance—A. Brewer, Luther Settle.

Education—J. T. C. Wright, J. A. Blevins.

Time, Place and Preacher—V. Whitley, F. A. Dowell.

Resolutions—E. F. Hinson, J. A. Jordan.

Periodicals—W. W. Myers, L. G. Settle.

Nominating Committee—J A. Sebastian, N. P. Myers.

Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. Levi McCann to preach tonight.

Song: "Would You Be Ready to Answer the Call."

Adjourned 'til 7:30 tonight—Nine tomorrow.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Rev. Levi McCann preached an interesting sermon from the text,

Amos 4:12, "And because I will do this unto thee prepare to meet thy God."

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. M. Absher.

Committee of Arrangements' report adopted.

Invitation was extended to visiting brethren, when J. A Gilliam from Stone Mountain accepted a seat with us.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We, your committee on Orphanage, submit the following: We have at present about 600 children in the home. It costs $150.00 per year, or 40 cents a day per child. They must be fed and clothed. We advise this Association to give more liberally to this cause and set apart Thanksgiving day for that purpose.

J. A. JORDAN, J. N. WILES, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. A. Jordan, W. W. Myers, J. S. Kilby.

On motion adopted.

Committee on Pastorial and Church Relations report:

Your committee on Pastor and Church Relation wish to submit the following: The relation of pastor and church are very close, therefore it is necessary that the pastor should keep the flock trained on the articles of faith and the church should co-operate with the pastor and aid him in the discharge of his duties: Where there is unity there is power.

E. F. HINSON, N. P. MYERS.

Remarks by Revs. E. F. Hinson, J. A. Jordan. Adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

We your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report: We should be temperate in talking about our brother or sister and neighbor and be sure to abstain from the use of intoxicating strong drinks. We advise our Association to abide by the prohibition laws and to enforce the same.

J. M. ABSHER, W. W. MYERS.

Remarks by Rev. J. M. Absher, E. F. Hinson. Adopted.

REPORT ON OLD MINISTERS RELIEF.

We, the committee on the Old Ministers Relief, beg to say the Relief Board is doing gratis work for the one most worthy cause, in caring for the aged ministers, which should encourage us to give more freely of our means as our appreciation for the great work they have done for the cause of Christ.

E. F. HINSON, FELIX GAMBILL, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. E. F. Hinson, Rev. A. B. Hays. On motion adopted.

At this time visiting Brethren were again invited to seats. Brethren A. B. Hays, J. A. Blevins and C. P. Gilliam from the Stone Mountain and Bro. Cleve Kilby from Brushy Mountain accepted.

Song: "Walking by Faith."

Committee on Education reports.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

One of the great policies of any nation is, or should be, the education of its boys and girls. Our Government is today educating her young sons in order that when she needs them they will be more efficient and better prepared for their duties. The men who will fill positions after the war is over will be men of education. They will obtain their positions on what they know.

All progressive denominations are educating their people in their distinctive doctrines. Brethren, we, as Baptists, cannot afford to lag behind in this great work. Therefore, we, too, have founded schools which we must stand by and support with our means and our patronage if we expect them to accomplish what they were established for. As our people become educated they become more efficient in home, state and church.

We recommend that our people support our public schools and do all they can to make them efficient. But we realize that these schools do not prepare our boys and girls for the greater usefulness in life or for college; therefore we recommend Mountain View Institute which is doing such excellent work in training our young people for life and preparing them for college. We further recommend Wake Forest College for Baptist boys and Meredith College for Baptist girls.

J. T. C. WRIGHT

Remarks by J. A. Blevins. Adopted.

Invitation was again extended to visitors. Rev. Grant Cothren accepted a seat.

Adjourned 'til 1:00 o'clock.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

House was called to order by Moderator. Committee on Religious Exercises report Bro. J. A. Jordan to preach to-night and Bro Grant Cothren, tomorrow.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Mission work is work done by one sent, as applied to the Gospel is work done by one sent by Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Jesus, Himself was a missionary for He was sent by the Father to this world to proclaim his love and salvation. And when Jesus left this world He said, "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you into the world." He gave to the disciples and the church their marching orders, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He also told them, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." We have here beautifully set forth the mission of our Great Baptist denomination. Jerusalem and Judea are our State Missions, Samaria our Home Missions, and the uttermost parts of the earth our Foreign missions.

God is blessing our labors as we occupy and prosecute the work. We believe the churches of the Elkin Association ought to help support this fundamental principle in proportion to their prosperity.

Paul the great Apostle, admonishes us to lay by in store on the first day of the week as the Lord has prospered us. This is not for only a few in the churches but for every member. Brethren, cultivate this christian grace and it will become to be a pleasure to give; not burdensome but a delight.

J. S. KILBY, M. L. PETTYJOHN. Committee.

Discussed by Rev. A. B. Hays, Rev. Grant Cothren. Adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS,.

This is a reading age,. Our people are going to read something either good or bad, therefore it is important to place good wholesome literature in the hands of our people, especially our young people. Our mails are flooded with rotten stuff, not fit for any one to read. We recommend that all our people read the Bible, and other good books. We also recommend that all our people read the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children, and Home and Foreign Fields, and keep themselves posted on our work.

W.W.MYERS, L. G. SETTLE, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. A. B. Hays, J. S. Kilby, Rev. J. A. Blevins. On motion adopted.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We recommend for trustees of Mountain View Institute Rev. W. W. Myers to succeed himself for 3 years term and T. C. DeBorde for 2 years, For member of Board of Missions, W. M. Sebastian.

N. P. MYERS, J. A. SEBASTIAN, Committee.

Report adopted.

Report on Finance read and adopted.

Committee on Resolutions report.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, that we tender to the members of Rock Creek Church and community our sincere thanks for the kind hospitality and Christian love shown to the delegates and correspondents of this Association and that we pray God's blessings to abide with them and us 'til we meet again. That we renew our previous resolution to urge our postors to appoint soliciting committees on the different objects in their several churches.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. JORDAN, E. F. HINSON, Committee.

On motion adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER.

We, your committee, on time and place submit the following:

That the next association convene with Little Elkin Church, 4 miles West of Elkin on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1919. Rev. W. W. Myers to preach the introductory sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

V. WHITLEY, F. A. DOWELL, Committee.

Song: "What a Meeting that Will Be." Benediction by Rev. J. A. Blevins.

SATURDAY NIGHT, 7:30 P. M.

Sermon by Rev. J. A. Jordan. Text: "And they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word with signs following. Amen."

SUNDAY MORNING.

Song by choir. Prayer by Rev. A. T. Pardue.

A motion was carried to send as delegates to Baptist State Convention, Brethren T. C. DeBorde and W. M. Sebastian.

Collection was taken for minute funds amounting to $3.35.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to reserve $5.00 out of the Minute funds for his services and use the remainder for printing and distributing Minutes.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report as follows:

Nothing is more clearly taught in the Bible than the fact that God wants us to teach His word to the people. In New Testament times, Jesus and the Apostles made teaching a great factor in the spread of the Gospel. Since the close of the Bible story whenever God's people have magnified teaching, His cause has prospered and whenever they have neglected it, this cause has languished.

J. M. ABSHER, H. W. COCKERHAM,

Address by Rev. J. A. Blevins. Adopted.

Sermon at 11 A. M. by Rev. Grant Cothren. Text: 2nd Chronicles 7:14. "If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Paid to Walters Durham	$50.35
Paid for printing Minutes	14.00
For distributing Minutes etc,	1.14

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J. A. Jordan, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. W. Myers, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

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Elkin Valley	F. C. DeBorde, Elkin	Ella Darnell, Elkin	1	7	132	139	46	12	15.96	20.00	35.96
Little Elkin	E. W. Blackburn, Ronda	Lexie Lyon, Ronda	1	5	57	63	29	12	2.05		2.05
Pleasant Hill	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	C. G. Couch, Elkin	1	7	75	82		12	7.61		7.61
Pleasant Home	W. M. Johnson, Dimmette	Vetra Jolley, Roaring River	1	7	107	114	65	12			
Poplar Springs	T. A. Gentry, State Road	Navassa Eldridge, State Road	1	5	60	65	26	6	3.00	.75	3.75
Rock Creek	A. Brewer, North Wilkesboro	Bulah Haynes, North Wilkesboro	1	7	91	98	40	9	3.00		3.00
Shoaly Branch											
White Plains	W. S. Alexander, Roaring River	J. A. Tharpe, Roaring River	1	5	40	75	30	6			

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Cool Springs	J. Z. Adams, State Road	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	2	800				3	3	83	123	206
Elkin Valley	Grant Cothren, Lomax	W. J. Harmon, Elkin	1	1000	6	1				37	64	101
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher, Offen	L. G. Settle, Ronda	4	1000	5	2	1			37	32	69
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	4		5		1		1	84	109	193
Pleasant Home	Levi McCann, Dimmette	W. G. Burcham, Ronda	4	1000	21	3				66	88	154
Poplar Springs		J. W. Gentry, State Road	3	800					1	25	44	69
Rock Creek	J. A. Blevins, Hays	A. Brewers, North Wilkesboro	2	400	1	1	1		1			249
Shoaly Branch												
White Plains	A. T. Pardue, North Wilkesboro	Weaver Poplin, Roaring River	3	1000		2	3			57	83	140

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Minister's Relief	Total
Center	$20.00	$	$	$	$	.75	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 20.75
Cool Springs				3.94		1.25				5.35	1.50	5.55	17.59
Elkin Valley	40.00		5.00	15.96	12.00	2 25	9.10			4.00	23 75	5.10	117.16
Little Elkin	7.50	16.00		2.05		2 30					1.75	2.50	32.00
Pleasant Home						2.55							2.55
Pleasant Hill	75.00	12.00		7.61		2.75		3.50	3.50		4.00	4.00	110.36
Poplar Springs				3.00		1.25					.75		5.00
Rock Creek	30.00		10.00			1.19							41.19
Shoaly Branch													
White Plains						1.50							1.50

Elkin Association

PROCEEDINGS

Friday, October 3, 1919.

The forty-first annual session of the Elkin Association convened with Little Elkin Baptist Church today at 12 m.

Introductory sermon by Rev. W. W. Myers. Text, 1 Chr. 21:12.

Intermission of thirty minutes.

The Association again assembled and was called to order by our Moderator, Bro. T. C. DeBorde.

Letters were called for. Nine were handed in, read, and delegates enrolled, as follows:

Center—C. L. Johnson, W. B. Hall.
Elkin Valley—T. C. DeBorde.
Cool Spring—M. L. Pettyjohn, Felix Gambill.
Little Elkin—G. W. Vanhoy, C. E. Walls, J. M. Vanhoy.
Poplar Spring—J. W. Gentry, J. F. Burcham, J. A. Chipman.
Pleasant Home—W. G. Burcham, T. M. Byrd, J. L. Jordan.
Rock Creek—By letter.
Shoaly Branch—Dallas Carter, W. F. Norman.
White Plains—B. C. Jordan.
Pleasant Hill—U. C. Gilliam, Noah Luffman, C. G. Couch.

The Association was now ready for reorganization.

On motion, Bro. T. C. DeBorde was unanimously elected Moderator, and J. W. Gentry, Clerk.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Arrangements—W. W. Myers, M. L. Pettyjohn, J. M. Vanhoy.
Temperance—W. G. Burcham, B. C. Jordan.
Orphanage—Grant Burcham, J. Z. Adams.
Missions—Felix Gambill, Dallas Carter.
Pastoral and Church Relations—E. W. Blackburn, W. F. Norman.
Religious Exercises—Charley Johnson and the delegates of Little Elkin Church.
Ministerial Relief—W. W. Myers, J. T. Carlton.
Sunday School—J. M. Vanhoy, J. M. Absher.
Finance—C. E. Walls, G. W. Vanhoy.

Education—C. F. Fields, J. F. Burcham.

Time, Place, and Preacher—Charley Johnson, J. F. Burcham, Barney Jordan.

Resolutions—J. W. Gentry, Noah Luffman.

Periodicals—W. W. Myers, W. F. Norman.

Some short but interesting talks were made on the 75 Million Campaign by Rev. I. C. Woodruff, Brother Sebastian and Bro. T. C. DeBorde.

Song: "My loved ones are waiting for me."

Adjourned till 9:30 tomorrow. Prayer by Rev. Barney Jordan.

Saturday Morning

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. S. Edwards.

Minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

Visiting brethren were now invited to have seats with us. Rev. C. F. Fields, from the Stone Mountain Association, accepted.

Committee on Arrangements report to take up work in order of last year's minutes.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Mission work, as applied to the Gospel, is work done by one sent by Jesus Christ. Our Lord Jesus himself was a missionary, sent by the Father to this world to proclaim his love and salvation. When Jesus left this world, he said, "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." He gave to the disciples and the churches orders, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." He also told them, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria and the uttermost parts of the earth."

We have here beautifully set forth the missions of our great Baptist denomination. Jerusalem and Judea are our State Missions, Samaria our Home Missions, and the uttermost parts of the earth our Foreign Missions.

God blesses our labor as we do his work. We believe the churches of the Elkin Association ought to help support the great causes in proportion to their prosperity. Paul admonishes us to lay by in store on the first day of the week as the Lord has pros-

pered us. Brethren, cultivate this Christian grace, and it will become a pleasure to give—not burdensome, but a delight.

Respectfully submitted,

FELIX GAMBILL,
DALLAS CARTER,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, this subject was discussed by Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. J. T. Carlton, Bro. T. C. DeBorde, and Rev. Barney Jordan. Report adopted.

At this time an invitation was given to visiting brethren. Rev. J. M. Absher, from the Stone Mountain Association, accepted a seat.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage rests heavily on the hearts of our people. More than 525 boys and girls are growing into honorable manhood and womanhood under its benign influence. Its record is rich in helpful service; our people are satisfied.

We feel more keenly with each passing year our obligation to the children who cry to us for help and friendship; and as this obligation is more clearly seen and felt, we the more gladly and generously discharge it.

And this is well, for the enormous and outrageous prices that we are obliged to pay for every household necessity makes it essential to increase the current fund in order to keep our beloved institution out of the bondage and peril of debt.

Furthermore, the pressure for admittance from boys and girls on the outside grows stronger day by day. Hundreds of homeless children, utterly helpless and dependent, clamor at the doors. The Lord has poured material things upon us. Our barns are filled with plenty and our presses burst out with new wine. We are well able to heed the cry of these children, and we must heed it, or suffer ourselves.

To give relief to this army of children, we must largely increase our current fund. What comes into the treasury barely covers the cost of supporting those within the walls of the Orphanage.

We have many children here who might be cared for by their mothers if a little help were supplied to them by the communities from which they come. The welfare workers of the State, with Mr. Roland F. Beasley as their head, are trying to hold these households intact. We would give our hearty endorsement to this agency of help and blessing, and thus make more room in the Orphanage for those who have neither mother nor father, but are

wholly dependent upon the institution for their care and training.

Your committee would recommend:

1. The plan of setting apart one day for the Orphanage, at or near Thanksgiving, by every man, woman and child in this Association.

2. A monthly contribution from every Sunday-school in this Association.

3. A club of Charity and Children in the well organized Sunday-schools, with an individual copy to as many others as possible.

GRANT BURCHAM,
J. Z. ADAMS,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. Z. Adams, C. F. Fields, and W. S. Edwards. Report adopted.

The following report on Education was read by Rev. C. F. Fields:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The time has come when our people must be educated, or we will fail to fill the mission God designed for us to fill. We have greater advantages for the education of our boys and girls than ever before. Our public schools are doing a great work, running six months in a year now. Let every parent see to it that his or her children are in school every day.

Our denominational colleges and schools are doing a noble work, training our boys and girls for usefulness in life.

Brethren, let us rally to the cause of education and give liberally to the support of colleges and schools.

We recommend for our boys and girls Mountain View Institute and Wake Forest and Meredith colleges.

C. F. FIELDS,
J. F. BURCHAM,
Committee.

On motion to adopt, Rev. C. F. Fields and J. T. Carlton spoke to this subject. Report adopted.

Song: "When we all sing at home." Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Intermission of one hour.

Afternoon Session.

After singing, prayer was offered by Rev. J. M. Absher.

Report on Ministerial Relief was now read by Rev. J. T. Carlton.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The old Ministers' Relief Board is aiding old ministers and the widows of old ministers, so far as they have the means to do so. The board does its work without any pay, using all the money they get for the relief of old ministers. Therefore, let us give liberally to the help of the old veterans who have worn out their lives preaching the gospel.

J. F. CARLTON,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. M. Absher. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report that we should be temperate in all things—in talking as well as in drinking. We advise our churches to unite together and put the curse out of our country. It is our duty as Christian people to do so.

W. G. BURCHAM,
B. C. JORDAN,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. Barney Jordan, C. F. Fields, and J. T. Carlton. Report adopted.

An address was given by Rev. C. F. Fields on Periodicals.

Song: "The Sunshine of Life."

The report on Time, Place, and Preacher was now read and adopted. The report reads:

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER.

We, your Committee on Time, Place, and Preacher, submit the following: That the next Association convene with White Plains Church, two miles north of Roaring River Station, on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1920. We recommend Rev. I. C. Woodruff to preach the introductory sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. BURCHAM,
B. C. JORDAN,
C. L. JOHNSON,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

The Committee on Pastoral and Church Relations beg leave to report the following:

1. The pastor should ever be prompt in attendance and in look-

ing after the welfare of his church and community. He should deliver to them the Word of God in its purity.

2. We believe, under existing circumstances and considering the high cost of living, that our churches should be awakened to a sense of their duty and give more liberally to their pastor. We believe some of our churches are failing to give as God has prospered them. A pastor should not have to depend on other avocations for a living. Even so hath the Lord ordained that they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. 1 Cor. 9:14. Christ said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. BLACKBURN,
Committee.

Discussed by Rev. W. S. Edwards. Report adopted.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered, to the members and community of Little Elkin Church, for their kind hospitality and Christian fellowship which they have given to the delegates and visitors of this Association; and, furthermore, that we pray God's blessings abide with them and us till we meet again.

J. W. GENTRY,
NOAH LUFFMAN,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

The Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. J. Z. Adams preach tonight at 7 o'clock, and Rev. C. F. Fields tomorrow at 11 a. m.

On motion, adjourned till time and place of our next Association.

Song: "Prepare to meet thy God." Prayer by Rev. J. M. Absher.

Evening Service, 7:30 P. M.

Singing by the choir. Sermon by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Text, Psalms 149:4, "For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people; he will beautify the meek with salvation."

Sunday Morning.

Singing by the choir, as usual. Devotions, conducted by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

The Sunday School Report was read by Joe Vanhoy, as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Nothing is more clearly taught in the Bible than the fact that God wants us to teach his word to the people. Every time Israel wandered away from God they were brought back largely through teaching. In New Testament times Jesus and the apostles made teaching a great factor in the spread of the Gospel. Since the close of the Bible story, whenever God's people have magnified teaching, his cause has prospered, and whenever they have neglected it his cause has languished. We believe there is no better place to teach His Word than in the Sunday-school.

We recommend an evergreen Sunday-school in every church in this Association.

J. M. VANHOY,
J. M. ABSHER,
Committee.

Sunday-school talks were made by Rev. J. M. Absher, W. S. Edwards, and others. Report adopted.

A collection was taken for the Orphanage, which amounted to $10.16.

Sermon at 11 a. m. by Rev. C. F. Fields. Text, Amos 4:12, "Prepare to meet thy God."

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Sent to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C.	$23.94
Sent to F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville, N. C.	22.26
Paid for printing minutes	
For distributing, etc.	1.00

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. W. Myers	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whittley	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. Z. Adams	State Road, N. C.
E. F. Hinson	Elkin, N. C.
H. P. Jackson	Elkin, N. C.
J. N. Barker	Austin, N. C.
J. F. Smith	Austin, N. C.
J. T. Carlton	State Road, N. C.
Levi McCan	Ronda, N. C.
I. C. Woodruff	Roaring River, N. C.
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Elkin Valley	Grant Cothren, Lomax	Edgar DeBorde, Elkin	1	1,200	2	----	----	1	----	1	41	63	104
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher, Offen	E. W. Blackburn, Ronda	4	1,000	----	----	----	----	----	2	36	31	67
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Jonesville	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	4	1,200	----	----	----	----	----	2	109	82	191
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan, North Wilkesboro	W. G. Burcham, Ronda	4	1,000	2	2	1	1	1	2	64	87	151
Poplar Spring	J. Z. Adams, State Road	J. W. Gentry, State Road	3	1,000	----	----	----	1	2	2	23	41	64
Rock Creek	J. A. Blevins, Hays	J. A. Sebastian, North Wilkesboro	2	400	3	----	----	3	1	2	88	128	216
Shoaly Branch	W .F. Cooper, Doughton	J. C. Spencer, Benham	3	800	2	1	2	----	----	3	43	66	109
White Plains	Grant Cothren, Lomax	Weaver Poplin, Roaring River	3	1,000	----	----	----	4	----	6	53	77	130

MINUTES

OF THE 1920

Forty-Second Annual Session

OF THE

Elkin

Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH WHITE PLAINS CHURCH FRIDAY BEFORE THE FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1920.

T. C. DeBorde, Moderator, ... Elkin, N. C.
J. A. Sebastian, Clerk, ... North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Next Session to be held with "Poplar Spring" Church 5 Miles North of Elkin Friday Before the First Sunday in October, 1921.

Press of Carter's Weekly, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS.

Friday, October 1, 1920.

The Forty-Second Annual Session of the Elkin Association convened with White Plains Baptist Church today at 12 M. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. A. Jordan. Text: St. John 20:21. Intermission 30 minutes.

Association re-assembled and was called to order by the Moderator.

Letters called for, nine were handed in, read, and Delegates enrolled as follows.

Center—C. L. Johnson.
Elkin Valley—T. C. DeBorde.
Cool Spring—R. P. Newman.
Poplar Spring—J. A. Chipman.
Pleasant Home—W. G. Burcham.
Rock Creek—W. M. Sebastian, J. A. Sebastian.
Shoaly Branch—J. C. Spencer, W. H. Newman.
White Plain—W. S. Alexander.
Pleasant Hill—W. C. Gilliam.

The Association was re-organized by the unanimous election of Brother T. C. DeBorde for Moderator and J. A. Sebastian Clerk.

The following committees were appointed:

Arrangements—W. M. Sebastian, W. C. Gilliam.
Temperance—W. S. Edwards, J. A. Sebastian.
Orphanage—E. H. Parks, Scott Alexander.
Missions—J. A. Jordan, W. W. Myers.
Pastoral and Church Relation—R. P. Newman, W. G. Burcham.
Religious Exercises—J. A. Chipman, Weaver Poplin.
Ministerial Relief—W. C. Gilliam, W. M. Sebastian.
Sunday-School—W. S. Edwards, W. F. Alexander.
Finance—J. H. Parks, Scott Alexander.
Education—Miles Blackburn, W. G. Burcham.
Time, Place, and Preacher—E. H. Parks, J. A. Chipman.
Resolutions—J. A. Sebastian.
Periodicals—W. W. Myers, W. S. Edwards, A. T. Pardue.

Brief discussions on Associational and church work by Brother DeBorde and Rev. W. S. Edwards.

Adjourned till tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

Committee reports that Rev. W. S. Edwards will preach tonight at 7:30, and Rev. W. W. Myers tomorrow at 11.

Saturday Morning.

Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. W. S. Edwards.

Committee on Arrangements reports: 1st, roll coll of Delegates; 2nd read Articles of Faith and Rules of Order; 3rd, to take up the various reports in the order of last year.

At this time invitation was extended to visitors. Rev. A. T. Pardue from Brier Creek and Rev. Grant Cothren from Stone Mountain accepted seats with us.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following: Temperance, as we understand it, means a moderate use of anything. We can be intemperate in eating, dressing and especially in talking, as well as drinking, because the tongue is an unruly evil full of deadly poison. Think of all things being tamed except the tongue which is set on fire of Hell. We recommend that we be temperate in all things. Of course, we are bound to submit that the strong drink is one of the greatest evils in our country, especially among our young men, destroying both soul and body, leading them to an untimely grave and we hope the time will speedily come when this evil will be put out of existence.

W. S. EDWARDS, J. A. SEBASTIAN, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. W. S. Edwards, W. W. Myers, J. A. Jordan, Grant Cothren, and Levi McCann. Report adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

We, the Committee on Orphanage, beg leave to report the following: First, we believe it our duty as Christians to look after and help the orphans and widows and those of our home surrounding who are in needy circumstances with our means of support. Help them to surmount the obstacles that are thrown in the pathway, because all that we are and have is the Lord's. The Lord saves a cheerful giver and we could not give to a better cause. While we are glad for and we recommend Thomasville Orphanage as one of the greatest Institutions of our country for the protection of our boys and girls, we also recommend that we first begin at home.

W. S. ALEXANDER, E. H. PARKS.

Remarks by Revs. A. T. Pardue, W. W. Myers, W. H. Cooper. Adopted.

A collection was taken for the orphanage amounting to $14.11.

Invitation was again extended to visitors. Rev. W. H. Cooper of the Stone Mountain accepted a seat.

Adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon.

Song: "Someone Is Looking For Me." Prayer by J. A. Jordan.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Mission work as applied is work done by one sent by Jesus Christ. Our Lord himself was a missionary and said to his Disciples "Go Into All the World and Preach the Gospel to Every Creature." God blesses our labor as we do his work. We believe the churches of the Elkin Association ought to do Mission Work. Brethren, cultivate the Christian grace and it will become a pleasure to give.

W. W. MYERS, J. A. JORDAN, Committee.

Remarks by Revs. W. W. Myers, A. T. Pardue, J. A. Jordan, Grant Cothren. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

The Committee on Pastoral and Church Relations, begs leave to submit the following: The pastor should ever be prompt in attendance and in looking after the welfare of church and community. He should take the oversight willingly. The church should look after the temporal needs for the laborer is worthy of his hire, and see that he lives with his people. Even so hath the Lord ordained that they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel, 1st Corinthians 9:14, it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Respectfully submitted,
W. G. BURCHAM.

Remarks by Rev. W. W. Myers and Rev. Levi McCann. Report adopted.

Committee on Religious Exercises report: Brother Levi McCann to preach tonight and Brother Grant Cothren tomorrow at 11.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The time has come when our people must be educated or we will fail to fill the mission God designed for us to fill. We have greater advantages for the education of our boys and girls than ever before. Our public schools are doing a great work, running six months in a year now. Let every parent see to it that his or her children are in school every day. Our denominational colleges and schools are doing a noble work training our boys and girls for usefulness in life. Brethren let us rally to the cause of education and give liberally to the support of colleges and schools. We recommend for our boys and girls Mountain View Institute and Wake Forest and Meredith Colleges.

W. G. BURCHAM, M. F. BLACKBURN, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. W. S. Edwards. Report adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that the Ministerial Relief Board is a good thing and we as churches of this Associa-

tion should aid in this cause as we undertand that the Board does its work free of charge. Let us remember the old veterans of the Cross in our prayers and give of our means to help them along.

W. C. GILLIAM, W. M. SEBASTIAN, Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We, the Committee on Periodicals, report as follows: That at this reading age we advise our people to first read the Bible carefully and prayerfully, also Charity and Children and the Biblical Recorder.

W. W. MYERS, W. S. EDWARDS, Committee.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER.

We, your Committe on Time, Place, and Preacher, submit the following: That the next Association convene with Poplar Spring Church five miles north of Elkin on the Dobson Road, on Friday before the First Sunday in October, 1921. We recommend Rev. Levi McCann to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. H. PARKS, J. A. CHIPMAN, Committee.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, that this Association tender her thanks to the members of White Plain Church and the good people of the community for the kind hospitality and Christian love and fellowship which they have shown the Delegates and visitors of the Association and that we pray for God's Blessings on them and us till we meet again.

J. A. SEBASTIAN, Committee.

On motion adjourned till time and place of our next Association. Prayer by Brother Cooper.

Brother W. M. Sebastian, of this Association, was appointed Trustee for Mountain View Institute for a term of three years.

Sunday Morning.

Singing by choir. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. I. C. Woodruff.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

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teaching. In New Testament time Jesus and the Apostles made teaching a great factor in the spread of the Gospel. Since the close of the Bible story, whenever God's people have magnified teaching his cause has prospered, and whenever they have neglected it his cause has languished. We believe there is no better place to teach His word than in the Sunday-school. We recommend an evergreen Sunday-school in every church in this Association.

W. S. EDWARDS, W. F. ALEXANDER, Committee.

Addresses by Prof. Hays, A. Caudill, John Burcham, and others. Report adopted.

Sermon at 11 A. M. by Rev. Grant Cothren. Text: Daniel 12:2.3. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Sent to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C.	$57.10
Paid for Printing Minutes	18.00

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. W. Myers,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. Z. Adams,	State Road, N. C.
E. F. Hinson,	Elkin, N. C.
H. P. Jackson,	Elkin, N. C.
J. N. Barker,	Austin, N. C.
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Poplar Spring	C. F. Fields, Elkin	J. W. Gentry, State Road	3	1000	0	0	0	1	3	0	23	40	63
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan, N. Wilkesboro	W. G. Burcham, Ronda	4	1000	0	0	0	1	0	2	69	86	149
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	J. A. Sebastian, N. Wilkesbor	2	600	13	2	0	3	1	0	91	136	227
Shoaly Branch	W. F. Cooper, Doughton	J. C. Spencer, Benham	3	.....	0	3	0	1	0	0	44	67	111
Whiteplains	.....	Weaver Poplin, Roaring Rive	3	1000	8	0	0	1	0	1	54	82	136
Pleasant Hill	Grant Cothren, Lomax	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	4	1500	14	2	0	0	0	0	115	92	207

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	State and Associational Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministers' Relief	TOTAL
Center						3 20									3 20
Cool Spring	50 00	40 50		4 24		2 05								5 25	102 04
Elkin Valley	100 00	119 45	14 50	22 50		4 25		5 00				8 70			274 40
Little Elkin	30 00					1 75						3 00		3 00	37 75
Poplar Spring				3 50		2 00						1 00		2 00	8 50
Pleasant Home	29 17			6 19		2 25						5 00		5 00	47 61
Rock Creek	30 00			8 00		2 10									40 10
Shoaly Branch	47 65					2 05						7 70			57 40
Whiteplains						2 35									2 35
Pleasant Hill	75 00					1 75		3 19		3 00				3 85	86 79

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	Superintendent and Postoffice	Secretary and Postoffice	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Center														
Cool Spring	J. D. Luffman, Ronda	Paul Newman, Elkin	1	7	79	79	30	5	0	4 24				4 24
Elkin Valley	E. F. Hinson, Elkin	Elmer Collins, Elkin	1	7	150	157	40	12	2	22 50	5 00	8 70		36 20
Little Elkin														
Poplar Spring	J. W. Gentry, State Road	R. S. Guyer, State Road	1	5	50	55	12	5	0	3 50				3 50
Pleasant Home	J. W. Cheek, Roaring River	Lettie Burcham, Roaring River	1	8	79	79	45	8	0	6 19				6 19
Rock Creek	S. Byrd, N. Wilkesboro	Velna Myers, N. Wilkesboro	1	7	69	76	30	5	5	5 00			3 00	8 00
Shoaly Branch														
Whiteplains														
Pleasant Hill														

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF

The Elkin Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH

Poplar Spring Church

Friday Before the First Sunday in October 1921

T. C. DeBORDE, Moderator, Elkin, N. C.
J. W. GENTRY, Clerk, State Road, N. C.

Next session to be held with Cool Spring church five miles west of Elkin, Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1922.

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PROCEEDINGS

Friday, September 30, 1921.

The forty-third annual session of the Elkin Association convened with Poplar Springs Baptist church today at 12 M. Introductory sermon by Rev. W. W. Myers, Text: Judge 7:21, "And they stood every man in his place round about the camp." Intermission 30 minutes.

Rev. J. Z. Adams read the 103 Psalm and offered prayer, after which the association was called to order by the moderator. Letters called for, 10 were handed in, read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center—C. L. Johnson.
Elkin Valley—Luther Cockerham, D. E. Hinson.
Cool Springs—M. L. Pettyjohn.
Poplar Springs—J. W. Gentry, J. F. Burcham, Don W. Cochran.
Pleasant Home—W. G. Burcham, T. D. Gentry, T. M. Byrd.
Pleasant Hill—W. C. Gilliam, E. S. Mickel.
Rock Creek—W. M. Sebastian, W. W. Myers.
Little Elkin—C. E. Walls, J. M. Vanhoy.
Shoaly Branch—J. C. Spencer,, Willie Draughn, J. A. Darnell.
White Plains—Weaver Poplin, W. S. Alexander.

The association is now reorganized by the unanimous election of Brother T. C. DeBorde moderator, and J. W. Gentry clerk.

The moderator read the constitution, decorum, and articles of faith. He then invited correspondents and visitors. The following report and are welcomed: Revs. W. F. Cooper and J. Z. Adams, of the Stone Mountain Association; Rev. A. C. Hamby, of the State Board of Missions; Rev. Lloyd Hollaway, of the Yadkin Association.

The following committees were appointed:

Arrangements—T. M. Byrd, W. C. Gilliam, E. F. Hinson.
Temperance—W. W. Myers, W. F. Carter, Lloyd Hollaway.
Orphanage—J. Z. Adams, M. L. Pettyjohn.
Missions—E. F. Hinson, W. G. Burcham, A. C. Hamby.
Pastoral and church relations—W. S. Alexander, C. L. Johnson.
Religious Exercises—J. A. Darnell and the delegates of Poplar Springs church.
Ministerial relief—W. W. Myers, W. M. Sebastian.
Sunday School—Don W. Cochran, G. J. Eldridge.
Finance—W. M. Sebastian, Weaver Poplin.
Education—A. C. Hamby, U. H. Eldridge.
Time, place and preacher—M. L. Pettyjohn, A. L. Gentry.
Resolutions—J. C. Spencer, W. C. Gilliam.
Periodicals—J. Z. Adams, W. F. Cooper.
Obituaries—W. C. Gilliam, J. F. Burcham.
Hospital—A. C. Hamby, J. Z. Adams.

Rev. Lloyd Hollaway made an interesting talk on temperance.

Committee on religious exercise report that Rev. Lloyd Hollaway preach tonight and A. C. Hamby tomorrow.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER.

We your committee on time, place and preacher submit the following: That the next session of this association convene with Cool Spring Baptist church, five miles west of Elkin on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1922. We recommend Rev. J. W. Bryant to preach the introductory sermon at 11 a. m. Respectfully submitted.

A. L. GENTRY, M. L. PETTYJOHN, Committee.

On motion adjourned till tomorrow at 9:30. Benediction by Rev. A. C. Hamby.

Evening Service.

Devotion conducted by Rev. J. Z. Adams, sermon by Rev. Lloyd Hollaway. Text: John 11:28, "The Master is come and calleth for thee."

Saturday, 9:30 a. m.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W.W. Myers. Association called to order by moderator. Minutes of yesterday's meeting read and approved.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

One among the greatest evils we have had to deal with in the past is the drink evil. We have gotten rid of the saloon, and now our great need is the enforcement of our prohibition laws. The blockade still and the blind tiger are debauching our young men and are the great dangers we have to contend with today.

We your committee would recommend that we do all in our power to show the young men the danger of the drink habit, that we co-operate with the officers of our state and nation in enforcing our prohibition laws in our own communities, and that we urge the members of the churches to live sober and clean lives before all men.

W. W. MYERS, W. F. CARTER, L. M. HOLLAWAY, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. Lloyd Hollaway. Adopted.

An invitation was given to visitors. Rev. Grant Cothren, of the Stone Mountain Association reports himself and is welcomed by the moderator.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We your committee on orphanage beg leave to report the following:

The Baptist is doing a great work at Thomasville and at the Kennedy Home. We, therefore, ask that each church give regularly to this good cause and that we all give the worth of one day's work or the income of one day on Thanksgiving day each year.

J. Z. ADAMS, M. L. PETTYJOHN, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. Z. Adams, W. W. Myers, Grant Cothren and Bro. W. F. Carter. Report adopted.

At this time a collection was taken up for the orphanage which amounted to $8.25.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL.

Jesus gave more time to healing the sick than he gave to preaching or teaching. One reason why the Roman Catholics have such a large following is because they have built many hospitals, trained many nurses and doctors and spent much money in helping and healing the sick. When you minister to the sick it is easy to tell them the story of the Cross.

The Baptists in Winston-Salem are giving $100,000.00 towards building our hospital there, and the other Baptists of the state are asked to give $150,000.00 more. About $60,000.00 has been sent in and building will begin soon.

We, your committee, recommend that each church in this association give for this hospital this coming year at least $5.00. Respectfully submitted.

A. C. HAMBY, J. Z. ADAMS, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. A. C. Hamby. Adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

The work we are trying to do in response to our Lord's command is divided for the sake of convenience, into State, Home and Foreign missions.

1. Our State Mission Board employs 197 missionaries. They reported 1953 Baptisms last year. The number will be much larger this year. They collected on their fields more than $66,000.00 last year for all benevolent objects. They cost the board $71,000.00 The cost of making and baptizing 1953 converts was only $5,000. They organized 20 churches, built 19 houses of worship, and had begun 25 other houses when the report was made.

2. Our Home Mission Board reports 45,092 baptised by its missionaries, 4,087 young men and women declared themselves called to do Christian work. They organized 258 new churches and built, help to build or repair 524 houses of worship, and organized 835 Sunday schools. Our Home Board does work in Cuba, along the Panama Canal, among the foreigners in our large cities, the negroes and Indians. It directs and supports our system of secondary schools, does enlistment work in many states, is building a great hospital in New Orleans, supporting and helping in almost every Christian work in the South fostered by our denomination.

3. Our Foreign Mission Board has 470 missionaries preaching and teaching in 18 countries of the world, and 978 native helpers. There were 7,000 baptisms last year. On the fields we have nine theological schools, 11 colleges, 25 high schools, 587 grade schools. We have 12 hospitals in which 154,000 people were treated last year.

Now, brethren, the minutes of last year show that this association gave to State, Home and Foreign missions combined only $11.19. This is less than one cent each. Rather small amount in view of the fact that God is depending on us to do our part in saving this world. Respectfully submitted.

W. G. BURCHAM, A. C. HAMBY, E. F. HINSON, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. A. C. Hamby in connection with sermon at 11:30 a. m. Prayer by Rev. A. C. HAMBY. Adjourned for one hour.

Afternoon.

Song: "Walking in the Light." Prayer by Rev. E. F. Hinson.
The report on Missions was adopted.
Roll of delegates called.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS.

We your committee on Pastoral and Church Relations beg leave to report the following: We think the pastor should ever be prompt, especially at the hour of worship. He should look after the church as ehe shepherd looks after the sheep. If any should be lost or gone astray, go after them in the spirit of our God. The church should take a great interest in the welfare of their pastor. They should ever be ready and willing to help by way of their means and daily prayers. By so doing they can hold him up and enable him to do a great work. We then are only doing the duty that God requires of us as Christian workers together here in the world.

W. S. ALEXANDER, C. L. JOHNSON, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. Grant Cothren, W. W. Myers. Report adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We your committee beg leave to report as follows: The Old Ministers' Relief Board is one of the greatest institutions of its kind. It is helping those who can not help themselves. Those who have given the prime of life and strength of manhood for the cause of Christ and humanity. Therefore let us see to it that they enjoy the blessings of life which God has bestowed on us until the Lord shall call them to their rewa d.

W. W. MYERS, W. M. SEBASTIAN, Committee.

Remarks by Revs. W. F. Cooper, E. F. Hinson, and Brother T. C. DeBorde. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

What a man reads furnishes him food for his thoughts. We also get thought from within our heart. No man is sufficient in himself, but is dependent in part on other people for his thoughts. The Bible furnishes basis for our thoughts about God and our fellowman. The Biblical Recorder furnishes information from all over the state about the progress of our denominational work. Let's take the Recorder and Cha ity and Children. Respectfully.

W. F. COOPER, J. Z. ADAMS, Committee.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and postoffice	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property.	Gains by Baptism	Gains by Letter	Gains by Restoration	Lost by letter	Lost by Exclusion	Lost by death	Number of Males	Number of Females	Total Membership
Center	W. F. Cooper, Doughton...	C. L. Johnson, Thurmond..	1	800	..	4	1	..	..	..	20	31	51
Cool Springs ...	J. Z. Adams, Traphill.....	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin....	2	1000	..	2	..	6	4	..	77	94	171
Elkin Valley ...	Grant Cothren, Lomax.....	Edgar DeBorde, Elkin.....	1	2000	17	1	..	7	1	1	43	79	122
Little Elkin ...	J. M. Absher, Offen.....	E. W. Blackburn, Ronda ..	4	1200	6	3	..	..	..	..	42	44	86
Poplar Springs .	W. F. Cooper, Doughton...	J. W. Gentry, State Road..	3	1000	3	4	..	3	..	..	24	44	68
Pleasant Hill ..	J. W. Bryant, Elkin.....	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	4	1500	11	9	..	2	2	3	122	98	220
Pleasant Home..	J. A. Jordan, N. Wilkesboro	W. G. Burcham, Ronda ..	4	2000	5	3	..	..	..	4	63	88	151
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knottville ...	J. A. Sebastian, N. Wksboro	2	1000	21	1	2	11	5	..	95	140	235
Shoaly Branch..	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	J. C. Spencer, Benham....	3	1000	18	2	..	..	..	1	50	80	130
White Plains ..	Levi McCann, Ronda	Weaver Poplin, R. River...	3	1000	13	7	2	2	..	2	54	64	118

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Salary	and Repairs	als	penses	Fund	jects	d Associa-Missions	Missions	ge	Relief

Elkin Valley ...	90.00	.....	15.00	31.94	3.25	.....	12.15	....	5.75	3.05	160.64
Little Elkin ...	36.00	200.00	.....	.....	1.50	.....	.....	....	....	....	237.50
Poplar Spring..	36.00	200.00	.....	25.00	1.60	15.00	.....	....	5.20	2.10	284.90
Pleasant Hill ..	150.00	.....	.....	6.40	4 25	.....	4.00	2.50	3.00	4.00	174.15
Pleasant Home..	44.65	235.00	.....	7.00	2.20	.....	.....	....	....	....	288.85
Rock Creek ...	30.00	200.00	3.00	10.50	2.00	.....	.....	....	....	....	245.50
Shoaly Branch..	70.00	.....	.....	.....	1.40	30.00	.....	....	3.44	3.16	108.00
White Plains ..	.....	.....	.....	5.50	1.50	.....	.....	....	2.50	2.50	12.00

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	Superintendent and P. O.	Secretary and Postoffice	No. of schools	Officers and teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in Sunday School	Months kept open	Baptisms from school	School expenses	Orphanage	Total Contributions
Center	.....	.....	.	..	...	...	..	..	..	.....	....	.....
Cool Springs ...	J. D. Luffman, Ronda	Ruth Walls, Ronda	1.	5	73	78	35	6	..	.....	....	2.12
Elkin Valley ...	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin	Elna Collins, Elkin	1	7	48	164	53	12	16	31.94	....	31.94
Poplar Springs .	W. F. Carter, State Road ..	A. L. Gentry, State Road ..	1	7	113	120	37	6	2	25.00	....	25.00
Pleasant Hill ..	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	C. G. Couch, Elkin	.	..	...	92	..	..	..	6.40	....	6.40
Pleasant Home..	M. M. Jolly, Roaring River.	Vetrice Jolly, Roaring River	1	6	65	71	45	8	5	7.00	....	7.00
Rock Creek ...	J. H. Wood, N. Wilkesboro.	Lytle Whitley, N. Wilk'boro	1	6	54	60	40	8	10	13.50	....	13.50
Shoaly Branch..	H. F. Tulbert, Benham	W. F. Gilliam, Benham ...	1	..	...	65	..	8	..	.....	3.44	3.44
White Plains ..	W. T. Byrd, Roaring River.	Pearl Poplin, Roaring River	1	7	56	112	30	6	..	5.70	....	5.70
Little Elkin ...	T. D. Lyon, Ronda.....	E. W. Blackburn, Ronda ..	1	5	108	113	..	9	..	7.20	....	7.20

Remarks by W. F. Cooper. Report adopted.

A collection was taken up to supplement the minute fund which amounted to $2.47.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas the Elkin association has been so hospitably cared for by the good brethren and sisters of Poplar Springs church and community at large, Resolved: 1. That our sincere thanks and best wishes be tenderly submitted to the church and community for their kind hospitality. 2. That we pray God's blessings rest upon them all. Respectfully submitted.

W. C. GILLIAM, J. C. SPENCER, Committee.

Report adopted.

The committee on religious exercises report that Rev. E. F. Hinson preach tonight and Rev. W. F. Cooper tomorrow. On motion the clerk was instructed to reserve $5.00 of the minute funds for his services and with the remainder to have 400 minutes printed and distributed among the different churchs of the association.

On motion adjourned till time and place of the next association.

Song: "How Firm a Foundaton." Benediction by Rev. W. F. Cooper.

Evening Service.

Sermon by Rev. W. F. Cooper. Text: "Amos 4-12, "Prepare to meet thy God."

Sunday Morning.

Rev. Jones Carter conducted devotional exercises. The report on Sunday school was read by Brother Don W. Cochran which reads as follows:

We your committee on Sunday School beg leave to report the following: That we the Baptist of this association believe that the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ must be taught to all people, and as the foundation of the church of our Master must and should be laid in the minds of our young people while their minds are susceptable to lasting and good impressions. The Sunday School becomes the most important and substantial auxiliary of the church and hence as such must and should be supported by all Christians.

We as true followers of Christ owe to him this duty, and as founders and supporters of the true church must prepare our successors, the Sunday School boys and girls of today, the citizens and churchmen and women of tomorrow in the only and proper place of instruction, the Sunday School.

So lets resolve to not only have one evergreen Sunday School, but one in every church in our country.

DON W. COCHRAN, G. J. ELDRIDGE, Committee.

Remarks by Brother A. Caudill and Professor Slattery, of Mount View school. Report adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Half of what is called our Lord's Great Commission is teaching. Of course this does not refer to our state or denominational schools, but it does give us a reason for putting the principles of Christ's Gospel into the schools we build and support as a denomination. The need for education is greater than ever before.

The state cannot teach the Bible in its schools, and to educate the head alone may enable men and women to make money, but it does not help them to make a life. Life, a righteous life, is the main thing and not money. Money is a necessary thing, but not the most necessary. Our boys and girls must go to the state schools for a while, but when the time comes for them to prepare for college work we should put them into one of our own Christian schools. We cannot afford to send them to any other.

But another thing is needful. Our schools cannot live unless we support them with our money also. The state levies taxes for the upkeep of the

tate schools, gets many thousands of dollars from fines collected by courts nd by the sale of public lands.

Our Christian schools will die if we do not give to keep them going. 'here are 37 Home Board mountain schools, one of which is near us. Other enominations are supporting theirs and if we do not keep pace we will oon lose our place of leadership and lose our boys and girls.

Let every Baptist in this association give something this year to help eep our schools to keep doing their good work.

A. C. HAMBY, U. H. ELDRIDGE, Committee.

Address by Professor Slattery. Report adopted.

Sermon at 11 a. m. by Rev. W. F. Cooper, text: First Corinthians, 15:58. 'herefore my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmovable always, abound- ıg in the work of the lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labors is not ı vain in the Lord.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

ent to Walte-s Durham	$31.06
ent to Baptist Orphanage	$22.94
'aid for printing	$22.50

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

V. W. Myers	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
:. A. Whitley	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
:. F. Hinson	State Road, N. C.
. N. Barker	Austin, N. C.
. F. Smith	Austin, N. C.
. T. Carlton	State Road, N. C.
evi McCann	Ronda, N. C.
C. Woodruff	Roaring River, N. C.
V. S. Edwards	Ronda, N. C.

OBITUARIES

Our departed brother, Peter Darnell, was born August 1, 1828. Died eptember 4 1921. Aged 93 years, one month and three days. He was wice married—first to Sarah Couch, which union was blessed with several hildren, some of which a e living. His second marriage—to Mrs. Mary)ay—was March 9, 1887. Brother Darnell was converted to the christian eligion in early life and united with the Cool Spring Baptist church Oct- ber 2, 1858. In later years—about the year 1897, he transferred his ıembership to Pleasant Hill Baptist church and in her fellowship he lived aithfully and devotedly to the cause of his Heavenly Master until his la- ors ended in death. He manifested great interest in the welfa e of his hurch and was ever ready to attend the duties it enjoined upon him He ad faithfully filled the office of deacon for some time prior to his death, nd by reason of his usefulness in many other ways he is now greatly ıissed in church assembly. Brother Darnell was firm and settled in the taid doctrine of the Baptist and freely contributed both in word nd deed to their defense. This was the church of his faith. He was a ırm believer in salvation by grace and God's sovereign power in all things. le greatly enjoyed reading the holy word of God, and freely expressed a trong hope of meeting his Savior in a brighter world above. He lived to good old age and during all these years he has toiled and labored to ıake the best out of life he could He ever remained true to convictions, ıflexible in this integrity and fearless in the maintainance of his principles. le was a man of decision; was frank, honest and sincere. We feel that he world has been made better and brighte- to those who came into per- onal touch with him for his having lived in it His good influence will ve on and on a monument to his children left to mourn for him, besides wide circle of friends. His life work is done: his sorrows have ceased,

and he now sleeps in Jesus. We sorrow not even as others which have no hope, for we believe that Jesus died and rose again, so then we believe that those who sleep in Jesus will God bring with him from the land of death. May this hope comfort the sorrowing family, and all who mourn the death of this good man. Hoping the Lord will be with his loved ones in their sad bereavement and enable us all to live to the glory of God and in the triumphant faith of His Son, Jesus Christ, is the desire of a friend and brother in the church.

W. C. GILLIAM, J. F. BURCHAM, Committee.

The subject of this obituary notice, Brother C. F. Darnell, was born September 24, 1845. Died August 2, 1921. Aged 75 years, eleven months and nine days. He was married to Miss Sarah Alice Byrd on Feb. 4, 1872. Joined Pleasant Home Baptist church in November, 1883, and was ordained as Deacon in July 1891, which office he filled with credit to himself and satisfaction to the church. C. F. Darnell was known among our people as a worthy and highly esteemed brother and citizen of the county in which he lived. Had I been more intimately and personaly acquainted with our deceased brother, I feel that I might be more able to do justice to the memory of his high christian character and to the good traits of his moral character and right living. He was strictly honest in all the relations of life. As a church member he was faithful in bearing his share of the burdens of the church. He was industrious—a hard worker, and provided well for his family. Was kind hearted and given to hospitality. Was loved and respected not only by the church but by all who knew him. I would say truthfully a good man has been removed from our midst. But we feel that our earthly loss is his heavenly gain. While we mourn his departure it is not without hope; while those dear to him have lost perhaps their best councillor, his church a strong pillar; but the Lord giveth and He has taken our dear brother to Himself, and blessed be His Holy name. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from henceforth, yea saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13. If the freedom we have is in Jesus we are blessed and holy as having a part in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Surely there is a blessing in being dead to the law by the body of Christ. Blessed is it to rest in the faith of Jesus. They rest from their labors. They cease from their own works and rest in the finished work of Jesus. Their works do not introduce them to the Lord. They are not saved for, nor through their good works, yet be that ceases from his own works and trusts in the Lord is careful to maintain good works which are good and profitable unto men. Our brother has ceased from his toils and labors here and we believe is enjoying that sweet and glorious rest to which all the faithful in Christ Jesus are heirs. God bless the family of our dear brother and if consistent with His righteous will when Christ comes to make up His Jewels may they be joined among them is my prayer.

W. C. GILLIAM, J. F. BURCHAM, Committee.

MINUTES

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T. C. DeBorde, Moderator, Elkin, N. C.
H. F. Tulbert, Clerk, Benham, N. C.

The next session will be held with Center church, one mile South of Thurmond, Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1923.

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PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1922

The forty-fourth annual session of the Elkin Association convened with Cool Springs Baptist church today at 12 M.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. W. T. Baucom. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. W. Bryant. Text Math. 6-33: "But Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness and All These Things Shall Be Added Unto You." Prayer by Rev. J. T. Carlton. Intermission one hour.

Rev. A. J. Williams used 92nd Psalm and offered prayer, after which the association was called to order by Moderator.

Letters were called for and 9 were handed in and read, and delegates enrolled as follows: Elkin Valley—S. R. Collins, G. T. Martin, T. C. DeBorde. Cool Springs—J. P. Harris, James Pettyjohn, John Newman. Center—C. L. Johnson. Shoaly Branch—Dallas Carter, H. F. Tulbert, W. L. Draughn. Rock Creek—W. M. Sebastian, Philo Emerson, J. A. Sebastian. Pleasant Hill—W. C. Gilliam, Morgan Creed. Pleasant Home—W. G. Burcham, W. G. Curry, John Q. Burcham. Little Elkin—C. C. Wall, J. M. Vanhoy, T. H. Settle. White Plains—Weaver Poplin, Lytle Alexander, Claud Poplin.

The association is now re-organized by a unanimous vote for Bro. T. C. DeBorde for Moderator, and H. F. Tulbert, Clerk. The Moderator invited correspondents and visitors. The following accepted seats: Bro. A. J. Williams and Rev. W. T. Baucom of the Surry association; Rev. J. W. Bryant, Yadkin; Rev. C. F. Fields, Stone Mountain; Rev. J. Z. Adams, Stone Mountain. The following committees were appointed.

Committee on Arrangements: Rev. C. F. Fields.
Temperance: Rev. J. Z. Adams. James Pettyjohn.
Orphanage: Rev. C. F. Fields, J. M. Vanhoy.
Missions: Rev. A. J. Williams, G. W. Curry.
Pastorial and Church Relations: Rev. J. T. Carlton, W. G. Burcham.
Religious Exercise: Weaver Poplin, with Cool Springs delegates.
Minister's Relief: J. P. Harris, W. T. Alexander.
Sunday School: W. C. Gilliam, W. D. Tucker
Finance: Dallas Carter, Morgan Creed.
Education: Rev. J. W. Bryant, C. L. Johnson .
Time, Place and Preacher: C. L. Johnson, John Newman.
Resolutions: H. F. Tulbert.
Periodicals: Rev. W. T. Baucom, T. A. Settle.
Obituaries: J. M. Sebastian, C. M. Carter.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher report the following: That the next session of this association be held with Center Baptist church, one mile south of Thurmond, Rev. W. F. Cooper to preach the introductory sermon, on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1923, at 11 o'clock.

Committee on Religious Exercises report: Rev. C. F. Fields to preach tonight and Rev. A. J. Williams tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

Bill of items read and adopted. By motion Bro. T. C. DeBorde was reappointed as trustee of Mountain View Institute. By motion, adjourn until tomorrow at 9:30 A. M. Benediction by Rev. C. F. Fields.

EVENING SERVICE

Sermon by Rev. C. F. Fields. Text: "Watch Ye, Stand Fast in the Faith, Quit You Like Men, Be Sound, Let all You Think Be With Charity." First Cor., 16th chapter, 13th and 14th verses.

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 30TH

Singing by choir.

Devotional service by Rev. J. T. Carlton. Scripture lesson 5th chapter of Thessalonians, and offered prayer.

Then read and adopted minutes of yesterday. Moderator invited visitors and correspondents. The following accepted: Bro. Felix Gambil, of Stone Mountain; Rev. T. M. Hallaway, of Yadkin. Other churches called for: Poplar Springs with J. W. Gentry, G. J. Eldridge, J. A. Chipman as delegates, and Macedonia church presented letter of dismission from Surry association and was welcomed into this body, with T. G. Hurt, J. S. Poplin and T. L. Byrd as delegates.

Report on Pastorial and Church Relations:

We, your committee, offer the following: The pastor should be prompt in attending, brave as a lion and harmless as a dove. He should visit and care for his flock. The church should help their pastor and enable him to discharge his duty in the great work that God has ordained to be done, for he that preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

J. T. Carlton, W. G. Burcham, Committee.

Remarks by Revs. J. T. Carlton and T. M. Hallaway. Report adopted.

Report on Temperance:

The crying need of today is the enforcement of the prohibition laws of our nation. Brethren, we pledged ourselves to support the constitution and laws of the United States when we registered to vote. If the great Baptist family of North Carolina were doing their very best to suppress the manufacture and sale of liquor, we would soon be free from this great curse. Christ said to render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.

Rev. J. A. Adams, J. A. Pettyjohn, Committee.

Remarks by J. Z. Adams and C. F. Fields. Adopted.

Association adjourned for preaching. Sermon by Rev. A. J. Williams. Text: John 10th chapter, 9th verse, "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture." Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams. Adjourned one hour.

AFTERNOON

Singing by choir. Prayer by W. C. Gilliam.

Report on Orphanage:

The Thomasville Baptist orphanage was established in 1885. Since that time 2105 children have been admitted to the care of that institution. Now there are 542 children in the orphanage. These children have to be fed and clothed just like our children. Therefore, we recommend that all our churches take a Thanksgiving offering at Thanksgiving for these children and that each member give as much as one day's work for this cause. Christ said: "In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of my brethren, ye did it unto me."

Rev. C. F. Fields, J. M. Vanhoy, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields. Adopted.

Report on Periodicals:

We, your committee, report the following: While the Bible is the book of books and should be read each day, by every christian. It is the rule and guide of our faith and practice, yet we would recommend that every home in our churches would read the Biblical Recorder or Charity and Children, or the Home and Foreign Fields. These will keep us informed as to the work we are doing both at home and abroad, and give us a vision of the needs in our home land and in the foreign fields.

T. H. Settle, Rev. T. M. Hallaway, Committee.

Report adopted.

Report on Missions:

We, your committee, offer the following: We believe in State, home and foreign missions. God sent His Son into the world to preach the gospel.

Christ called men of his own choice ,and sent them saying, "preach the gospel to every creature," adding "I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." We believe God is still calling men, and it is the duty of the church to give of their means as God has prospered them. State missions means within our own State. Home missions everywhere in our Southland. Foreign to the Gentile to them that are afar off. The call was first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

Rev. A. J. Willaims, G. W. Curry, Committee.

Remarks by Revs. A. J. Williams, T. M. Hallaway. Report adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief:

We, your committte, report the following: The Minister's Relief Board is one of the greatest institutions of its kind. It is helping those who cannot help themselves, those who have given the best of their lives to the ministry, and to God's cause. Therefore, let us see to it that they share the blessings of life, until God shall call them to their reward.

W. L. Alexander, J. P. Harris, Committee.

Report adopted.

Committee on Religious Report. Rev. Levi McCann to preach tonight. Rev. L. M. Hallaway tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

On motion the following report was adopted: Resolved that the association appoint an associational board. 1st, That this board be composed of five members consisting of the Moderator and Clerk of this association; that one of this board shall be a pastor. The Moderator and Clerk, by virtue of their office, shall be chairman and secretary of this board. 2nd, That this board shall have charge of the mission work within the bounds of this association—that is, see that the gospel is preached in all the association, and assist weak churches whenever possible. 3rd, That this board shall have no power except to advise and cooperate with the churches in making the work of the association more efficient in the work of building of the kingdom of our Lord. 4th, That this board meet four times each year if possible, on the fifth Sunday, and that this board, if they deem is wise, shall arrange for a union meeting of all the churches on the fifth Sunday. 5th, That this board shall take the place of executive committee and shall perform all the duties of said committee. (Adopted.)

Report on Education:

There are divisions in our Lord's command. First, preaching, teaching and missions. Christian education is what we need today. Our State schools cannot give it. This is why we need to rally to the support of our christian schools—our denominational schools. We need schools that educate the heart as well as the mind. Education without the knowledge of Christ is detrimental to any nation.

Rev. J. W. Bryant, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. Levi McCann, T. M. Hallaway. Report adopted.

Report on Resolutions:

Whereas, the Elkin association has been so hospitably cared for by the good brethren and sisters of Cool Springs church and community, be it resolved: That our sincere thanks and best wishes be submitted to them all for their kind hospitality, and that we pray God's blessings to rest upon them all. Respectfully submitted,

H. F. Tulbert, Committee.

RESOLUTION

The Brushy Mountain Association in regular session this, the 26th day of August, 1922, to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, greeting:

Whereas there is being taught in our colleges and high schools the theory of evolution with all its demoralizing and harmful effects upon the young people of our country, weakening their faith, destroying their confidence in God and His word, leading to infidelity and ultimate rejection of God, and which, if permitted to spread its pernicious influence, will undermine our sys-

tem of Christianity and our long cherished devotion to God and to His Word, and whereas these colleges and high schools are supported by voluntary contributions from the Baptists of North Carolina, we feel that we have a God-given right to determine what shall be or what shall not be taught in these schools and imparted to our boys and girls.

Now, therefore, we most urgently petition our said Convention that it may order that the report of the Committee of Southern Baptist Convenion at Jacksonville be carried out viz., "That in our opinion a person can not believe in the theory of evolution as taught today and in the Bible, and we advise all our boards of education to select text books on science which are in accord with the teachings of the Bible." Therefore, we ask that there shall be eliminated from our schools and colleges any teachings of the theory of evolution with all its attendant evils. Be it resolved further, that we reaffirm our belief in and loyalty to the Bible as a whole from beginning to end as being the Word of God.

Prophecy came not by the will of man, but Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. We believe that the Bible is the positive declaration of God's will to man, and if we repudiate a single word of it and say the writing of Moses is only a myth we thereby repudiate the writings of Isiah, Malachi, Paul, Peter and of Jesus Christ Himself who endorsed Moses as one of the prophets, then we have left only a "scrap of paper" held in derision and hissed at by many of our young people who are gladly looking for any pretext to reject the Bible. These are to be the teachers of our schools in the future, and if this tendency is not checked in some way the next generation of our people will have no reverence nor regard for God or His Word, and with this goes all regard for law and order. Of what value is the oath of one who does not believe in God?

Now brethren believing as we do that ninety per cent of the Baptists of North Carolina do not believe in evoluion as it is taught today, we feel that the great body of the Baptist State Convention can not afford to shackle the liberties of the more than three hundred thousand Baptists of the State by appropriating their money to propagate a thing in which they do not believe. Therefore, we confidently believe and expect that you will rise to the great responsibility of the hour, and let the great majority of the Baptists of North Carolina be heard, and thus grant our most urgent request.

By motion, resolution adopted.

By motion we instruct the clerk to reserve $5.00 of the minute funds for his services, and with the remainder to have 400 minutes printed and distributed among the different churches of the association.

EVENING SERVICE

Rev. Levi McCann preached a wonderful sermon from Isaiah 40th chapter and 14th verse: "Blessed are they that wait upon the Lord."

SUNDAY MORNING

Devotional services conducted by Rev. A. B. Hayes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

1st. That the Sunday school is a great work of the church and a work that each member should take a part in.

2nd. It is a great work because we as a church can meet every Sunday and teach God's word to the young minds. Solomon says: "Train up a child in the way it should go, and when old he will not depart."

3rd. That we call on the christian people to let their light shine to the world that they may take knowledge of the one who died to save them.

W. C. Gilliam, W. D. Tucker, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields, Bro. F. B. Hendren, Prof. E. W. Settle. Report adopted.

CLERK'S STATEMENT

Sent to Walter Durham	$22.15
Sent to Baptist Orphanage	13.54
Paid for printing Minutes	25.00

ORDAINED MINISTERS

E. F. Hinson,	Elkin, N. C.
W. F. Barker,	Benham, N. C.
J. M. Barker,	Benham, N. C.
J. F. Smith,	Benham N. C.
J. T. Carlton,	Elkin, N. C.
Levi McCann,	Ronda, N. C.
I. C. Woodruff,	Roaring River. N. C.
J. A. Jordan,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. W. Myers,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.

OBITUARIES

Brother Nathan J. Walls was born Nov. 22, 1833, and died July 27, 1922, age 88 years, 5 months, 13 days. He married Elizabeth Norman on Sept. 7, 1865. God blessed this union with three children, two boys and one girl. He joined the church at Cool Springs in December, 1865, and lived a consistent member until his death, being faithful to the Lord's work. He served as clerk for a number of years. Surely a good man is gone and will be greatly missed, and we believe he is at rest.

W. J. Sebastian, C. M. Carter, Committee.

Brother Eli Walls was born March 25, 1839, died Jan. 7, 1922, age 82 years, 9 months, 13 days. He joined Cool Springs church in 1859. He joined Pleasant Hill church in 1897, and lived a faithful christian life until death. He served his church as deacon for a number of years, contending earnestly for the faith and delivered to the Saints. He was a strong believer in the Bible. He leaves a widow and eight children to mourn their loss.

W. J. Sebastian, C. M. Carter, Committee.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR AND P. O.	CLERK AND P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Prop.	Gained by Baptism	Gained by Letter	Gained by Restoration	Loss by Letter	Loss by Exclusion	Loss by Death	Males	Females	TOTAL Membership
Center	W. F. Cooper, Doughton	C. L. Johnson, Thurmond	1	.....	2	4	..	4	..	1	21	31	62
Cool Springs	J. Z. Adams, Traphill	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	2	.....	13	4	1	3	1	..	79	106	185
Elkin Valley	G. Cothren, Lomax	J. W. Harmon, Elkin	1	2,500	2	1	..	1	2	1	44	70	114
Little Elkin	J. M. Abshers, Offen	E. W. Blackburn, Ronda	4	1,200	18	3	..	2	..	..	46	61	107
Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	J. T. Edwards, Ronda	1	.....	16	6	1	3	2	1	64	85	149
Poplar Springs	W. F. Cooper, Doughton	J. W. Gentry, State Road	3	.....	8	..	..	3	1	..	...	...	73
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	4	2,000	37	13	2	2	1	2	143	123	267
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan, N. W'boro	W. G. Burcham, R. River	4	.....	..	2	1	4	3	..	...	...	147
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliot, Knotville	J. A. Sebastian, N. W'bo	2	.....	8	4	1	7	1	2	...	...	238
Shoaly Branch	J. W. Byrant, Elkin	J. C. Spencer, Benham	3	.....	..	..	..	10	..	1	...	...	119
White Plains	Levi McCann, Ronda	Weaver Poplin, R. River	3	.....	..	1	..	4	1	1	...	...	114

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Bldg. and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	Minute Fund	Other Objects	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Minister's Relief	TOTAL
Center	$ 30.00				$2.00						$ 32.00
Cool Springs	50.00	$120.00	$ 7.00	$ 3.90	1.65				4.84	6.95	194.34
Elkin Valley	100.00		40.00	31.19	2.50		13.50			2.50	187.69
Little Elkin	47.50			6.00	1.75	24.50			1.00		81.25
Macedonia	80.00				.80						80.80
Poplar Springs	36.00		15.00	12.00	2.50	5.00					70.50
Pleasant Hill	130.00	23.98	50.00	12.82	4.00	11.30	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	301.02
Pleasant Home	50.00				2.93						52.93
Rock Creek	36.00		3.00		2.00						41.00
Shoaly Branch	70.00		18.00			3.60			2.70	2.70	101.67
White Plains	30.95				1.50						32.45

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT. AND P. O.	SEC'T'Y. AND P. O.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Ch. Mem'ship in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from S. S.	S. S. Expenses	Orphanage	Total Contributions
Center												
Cool Springs	J. D. Luffman Ronda	Ruth Walls, Ronda	1	5	41	90	70	9	13	$ 3.90		$ 3.90
Elkin Valley	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin	Lucy Woodruff, Elkin	1	7	54	127	12	12	1	31.19		31.19
Little Elkin	Charlie Byrd, Ronda	Viola Byrd, Ronda	1	5	40	77	43	12	14	6.00		6.00
Macedonia												
Poplar Springs	W. F. Carter, State Road	Roscoe Gentry, State Road	1	8	74	140				17.00		17.00
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Darnell, Elkin	C. G. Couch Elkin	1	5	63	117		12		12.82		
Pleasant Home	G. W. Curry, Roaring River	J. Q. Burcham, R. River	1	4	44							
Rock Creek	J. H. Myers, N. W'boro	J. H. Wood, N. W'boro	1	6	45	66			6	5.00		5.00
Shoaly Branch	H. F. Tulbert, Benham	Paul Tucker, State Road	1	5	42	64				5.00		5.00
White Plains	W. F. By d, Roaring River	Paul Byrd, Roaring River	1	7	50	88						

MINUTES

OF THE

Forty-Fifth Annual Session

OF THE

Elkin Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH

Center Baptist Church

OCTOBER 5, 6, 7, 1923

T. C. Deborde, Moderator, - - - Elkin, N. C.

J. C. Spencer, Clerk, - - - - Benham, N. C.

The next session will be held with Elkin Valley Baptist church, two miles North of Elkin, on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1924.

PROCEEDINGS

Friday, October 5, 1923.

The forty-fifth annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Center Baptist church at 11 A. M. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. F. Cooper. Text: Matthew, 8th chapter and 25th verse. "Lord, We Perish."

Prayer by Rev. R. P. Merritt.

Intermisson twenty minutes.

The association was called to order by the moderator. Letters were called for and nine were handed in and read. Moderator called for other churches who wished to join, and Ronda Baptist church presented a letter from the Brushy Mountain association, which was received and delegates enrolled as follows:

White Plains: Weaver Poplin, Lytle Alexander, Barnie Blackburn.
Elkin Valley: T. C. Deborde, Y. B. Johnson, H. D. Woodruff.
Center: Paul Caudle, Sidney Thompson, W. B. Hall.
Poplar Springs: W. F. Carter, J. A. Chipman, J. W. Gentry.
Little Elkin: M. W. Walls, E. Blackburn.
Shoaly Branch: J. C. Spencer, Dallas Carter, W. W. Darnell.
Pleasant Home: W. G. Burcham, James McCann, L. L. Gentry.
Cool Springs: M. E. Tucker, J. P. Harris, J. A. Pettyjohn.
Macedonia: L. G. Hurt, T. L. Byrd, J. N. Burchette.
Ronda: J. H. Billings, A. M. Blackburn, Rev. W. S. Edwards.

The assocation is now re-organized, by election of T. C. Deborde for moderator, and J. C. Spencer, clerk. The moderator invited correspondents and visitors, and the following accepted seats: Rev. R. P. Merritt, Miss Kate Jenkins, of Surry association, and Rev. D. G. Reece, of Yadkin association, Rev. W. F. Cooper, of Stone Mountain association. The following committees were apponted.

Committee on Arrangements—J. N. Burchette, with moderator and clerk.

On Temperance—Rev. D. G. Reece and A. M. Blackburn.
Orphanage—W. S. Edwards, H. D. Woodruff.
Missions—Rev. W. F. Cooper, J. A. Chipman.
Pastoral and Church Relations—W. F. Carter, Edgar Tucker.
Religious Exercises—Dallas Carter, with Center delegates.
Minister's Relief—W. G. Burcham, J. P. Harris.
Sunday School—W. W. Darnell, Rev. W. S. Edwards.
Finance—M. W. Walls, Y. B. Johnson.
Education—Rev. R. P. Merritt, E. W. Blackburn.
Time and Place—H. D. Woodruff, J. A. Pettyjohn.
Obituaries—J. P. Harris, J. A. Pettyjohn.
Resolutions—Rev. D. G. Reece, J. N. Burchette.
The modeator called on Rev. R. P. Merritt to give us a talk on education.

The committee on religious exercises report that Rev. D. G. Reece will preach tonight and Rev. W. S. Edwards tomorrow at 11 A. M. By motion adjourn until tomorrow at 9 A. M. Benediction by Rev. W. S. Edwards.

SATURDAY MORNING

Singing by choir.

Devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. L. M. Holloway. Read 115th and 133rd Psalm, and offered prayer. By motion, moderator read the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Moderator called for visitors, and Rev. L. M. Holloway, of Elkin, came forward.

Report on Temperance—When we think of a report on temperance we think of many things that could be brought into this report aside from the strong drink evil, but we feel that the greatest shame that could come to our denomnation is the fact that we have in our churches members who are users, sympathizers or encouragers of this awful evil. Be it resolved, That the churches of the Elkin association make a hard effort this year to correct this one shame, that lingers in our churches. Touch not, taste not, handle not the unclean stuff, should be the motto of every loyal Baptist in our ranks. Rev. D. G. Reece, committee.

Remarks by Rev. L. M. Holloway. By motion, adopted.

Report on Orphanage—Perhaps outside of the preaching of the Gospel, there is no other work that ought to appeal to every christian more than that of the orphanage. We have 546 children—456 at the Thomasville, 90 at the Kennedy Home. We have 49 mothers, with 227 children that we are aiding. We believe that no one can take the training of the child, so we have established the Mother's Department. We would recommend that each Sunday school take an offering once each month for the orphanage, and that each church would try to get each member to give at least the amount of one day's work at Thanksgiving day for the support of the orphanage. Also we recommend that each fatherless child in the bounds of our association shall be provided for, that they may have an equal chance with all other children.—Rev. W. S. Edwards, H. D. Woodruff, committee.

Remarks by Rev. L. M. Holloway, T. C. Deborde. By motion, adopted.

Adjourned for preaching at 11 A. M.

Song by choir: "Stand up for Jesus." Prayer by Rev. W. F. Cooper.

Sermon by Rev. L. M. Holloway: Matthew, 5th chapter and 15th verse: "Ye are the Salt." Prayer by T. C. Deborde. Song by choir. Adjourn 45 minutes.

AFTERNOON

Song by choir. Prayer by Rev. W. F. Cooper.

A letter from Pleasant Hll Baptist church was handed in and read, with delegates W. C. Gilliam, C. H. Day, George Couch.

Report on Missions—We, as Baptists, believe in missions. Christ came to earth on a great mission, and he said to his disciples "Go into the Whole World and Preach the Gospel to every creature." So, if you cannot go yourself, you can help some one else to go by giving your prayers and some of your money. May God help us to loose the hands of our preacher from the secular things and carry the gospel to te lost world.—Rev. W. F. Cooper, J. A. Chipman, committee.

Remarks by Revs. W. F. Cooper and L. M. Holloway. Adopted.

Report on Pastoral and Church Relations—There is no one upon whom rests a greater responsibility than the pastor. He is to preach the gospel to condemn sin without regard to man. As we say sometimes "Hew to the line, regardless of who it hits." He should visit the sick and build up the church. The church should pay for the pastor and co-operate with him—uphold his good name, and support him with their means, for God hath ordained that they who preach the gospel shall live of the gospel, that God may be glorified, and that sinners may be saved.—W. F. Carter, M. E. Tucker, committee.

Remarks by Rev. L. M. Holloway. By motion, adopted.

Report on Minister's Relief—We, the committee on old minister's relief, beg to say the relief board is doing a great work for the aged ministers, which should encourage us to give more freely of our means and our appreciation for the great work they have done for the cause of Christ.—W. G. Burcham, J. P. Harris, committee.

Remarks by Rev. L. M. Holloway. Adopted.

Report on Christian Education—We have made great strides in education in North Carolina. The State is placing a high school within reach of almost every boy and girl. Yet we feel that we always need christian schools all over our country. All progressive people are educating their children. Brethren, we, as Baptists, cannot afford to lag behind in this great work, and we must teach each boy and girl to be a christian. We have Mountain View and Mountain Park junior colleges, that are christian schools. They are training the boys and girls. And we would recommend these schools and urge fathers and mothers to send their boys and girls to one of them when possible to do so.—E. W. Blackburn, committee.

Remarks by T. C. Deborde. By motion, adopted.

Periodicals—This is a reading age. Our people are going to read. Our mails are flooded with stuff that is not fit for any one to read. Therefore, it is important that we place good and wholesome literature in the hands of our people, especially our young people. We would recommend to all our people that they read the Bible and all other good books. We also recommend that all our people read the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children, and keep all trashy stuff from our children.—J. C. Spencer, comittee.

Adopted.

Time and Place—We ,your committee on time and place, do report that the next session of the Elkin Baptist Associaton be held wth Elkin Valley Baptist church, two miles north of Elkin. Rev. Grant Cothren to preach the introductory sermon, on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1924, at 11 o'clock, A. M.—H. D. Woodruff, J. A. Pettyjohn, committee.

By motion, T. C. Deborde was re-appointed trustee of Mountain View Junior College.—Executive committee: W. F. Carter, W. W. Darnell, M. W. Walls, J. C. Spencer, T. C. Deborde.

Resolutions—Resolved, That this association tender its most sincere thanks for the kindness and hospitality shown by Center church and community.—J. N. Burchette, Rev. D. G. Reece, committee.

By motion, we instruct the clerk to reserve $10.00 of the minute fund for his services, and with the remainder have as many minutes printed as possible.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. W. F. Cooper preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock. By motion, adjourn until Sunday at 10 o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. L. M. Holloway.

A letter was received from Rock Creek Baptist church, with E. V. Myers, P. L. Emerson, W. M. Sebastian as delegates.

SUNDAY MORNING

Song by choir. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Smith.

Sunday School Report—We, your committee, report as follows: The Sunday school is one of the oldest of the christian organizations, and was instituted by our Savior. Jesus went into the temple and taught on the Sabbath day. It is the duty of His followers to follow his example. We advise all the churches in the Elkin association to organize and carry on Sunday school in their churches.—W. W. Darnell, committee.

Remarks by T. C. Deborde, Rev. J. F. Smith. Adopted.

Song by choir. Prayer by T. C. Deborde.

Sermon at 11 A. M., by Rev. W. F. Cooper. Text, 15th chapter of St. John, and 17th verse, "Love." Prayer by P. A. Caudle.

CLERK'S STATEMENT

Sent to Walter Durham,	$42.17
Sent to M. L. Kesler,	18.55
Paid for printing minutes,	20.00

ORDAINED MINISTERS

E. F. Hinson.	State Road, N. C.
M. F. Barker,	Benham, N. C.
J. M. Parks,	Benham, N. C
J. F. Smith,	Benham, N. C.
J. T. Carlton,	Elkin, N. C.
Levi McCann,	Ronda, N. C.
I. C. Woodruff,	Roaring River, N. C.
J. A. Jordan,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. W. Myers,	North Wilkesboro, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	Time of Preaching	Value Church Property	Gained by Baptism	Gained by Letter	Gained by Restoration	Loss by Letter	Loss by Exclusion	Loss by Death	Males	Females	Total Membership
Center	W. F. Cooper, Doughton	C. L. Johnson, Thurmond	1	$ 800				1		1	21	29	60
Cool Springs	J. Y. Adams, Trap Hill	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	2	1200	9			2		1	83	105	188
Elkin Valley	Grant Cothren, Lomax	H. D. Woodruff, Elkin	4	2500	2	5					46	76	122
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher, Offin	E. W. Blackburn, Ronda	4	1250	6	11		2	2		52	69	121
Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	L. G. Hurt, Ronda	1		8		2	3					156
Poplar Springs	W. F. Cooper, Doughton	J. W. Gentry, State Road	3	1000	1								73
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	4	2000	9	2	2		6				274
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan, N. W'boro	W. G. Burcham, R. River	4	2000	6	1		3			62	91	153
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knotville	J. A. Sebastian, N. W'boro	2	1000	20			8		4	96	150	246
Shoaly Branch	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	J. C. Spencer, Benham	3	1000	9			3	1		47	78	125
White Plains	Levi McCann, Ronda	W. Poplin, R. River	3	1000	1			1	1	1	51	61	112
Ronda													

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Bldg. and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Minister's Relief	TOTAL
Center	$ 12.50					$1.35	$	$	$	$	$	$ 13.50
Cool Springs	50.00					.75				4.05	7.50	62.30
Elkin Valley	125.00		40.00	21.00	10.00	4.57		14.74		21.00		236.31
Little Elkin	50.00	25.00				2.00	18.00					95.00
Macedonia	80.00		17.00	3.84		1.00		3.00	1.50	5.00		111.84
Poplar Springs	57.00		10.00			2.30						69.30
Pleasant Hill	150.00		50.00			1.30		2.75	2.80	8.00	3.45	218.35
Pleasant Home	52.08		13.00	6.60	10.00	2.60				1.50	1.53	85.31
Rock Creek	30.00			5.00		1.45	6.00					42.45
Shoaly Branch	60.00		18.00	2.79	3.00	1.20	24.00	3.35		5.00	1.05	118.39
White Plains				4.00		3.00						7.00
Ronda												

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	Supt. and P. O.	Sec. and P. O.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Ch. Mem. in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms S. S.	S. S. Expenses	Orphanage	Total Contribution
Center												
Cool Springs	J. D. Luffman, Ronda	Ruth Walls, Ronda	1	5	94	99			5	$ 3.25	$	$ 3.25
Elkin Valley	T. C. Deborde, Elkin	Blanche Harmon, Elkin	1	6	118	124		12	2	21.00	21.00	42.00
Little Elkin												
Macedonia	L. G. Hurt, Ronda	Nina Durham, Ronda	1		54			6		3.84		3.84
Poplar Springs	J. W. Gentry, State Road	Duskie Mooney, State Road	1	7		97			1	10.00		10.00
Pleasant Hill	R. W. Darnell, Elkin	S. E. Newman, Elkin	1	6						6.00		10.13
Pleasant Home	G. W. Curry, R. River	J. Q. Burcham, R. River	1	6	57	63		12	3	6.60		6.60
Rock Creek	W. M. Sebastian, N. W'boro	Mamie Higgins, N. W'boro	1	8	52	60	30	6	5	5.00	6.00	11.00
Shoaly Branch	Annie Luffman, Benham	Paul Tucker, State Road	1	6	60	66	25	6	9	2.80		2.80
White Plains	B. C. Jordan, R. River	Pearl Poplin, R. River	1	7	50	75	40	6		4.00		4.00
Ronda												

MINUTES

—OF THE—

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONVENED WITH

Elkin Valley Baptist Church

OCTOBER 3, 4 and 5th, 1924

T. C. DeBORDE, Moderator.....Elkin, N. C.

J. W. GENTRY, Clerk.....State Road, N. C.

The next session will be held with Macedonia Baptist Church, 2½ miles north of Ronda, beginning on Friday, before the first Sunday in October, 1925.

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PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1924.

The forty-sixth annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Elkin Valley Baptist church at 11 A. M. Rev. M. B. Phillips preached the introductory sermon. Text: Matthew 11:29, "Take My Yoke Upon You, and Learn of Me; For I am Meek and Lowly in Heart: And Ye Shall Find Rest Unto Your Souls."

Intermission fifteen minutes.

The association re-assembled and was called to order by the Moderator. Letters were called for and nine were handed in, read and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center: C. L. Johnson.

Cool Spring: M. L. Pettyjohn, J. A. Pettyjohn.

Elkin Valley: T. C. DeBorde, H. D. Woodruff, S. R. Collins.

Little Elkin: J. M. Vanhoy, C. M. Laster.

Macedonia: L. G. Hurt, T. L. Byrd, Freel Flyn.

Pleasant Hill: D. W. Day, W. C. Gilliam.

Pleasant Home: W. G. Burcham, Coy Durham, M. F. Barker.

Poplar Spring: J. W. Gentry, J. F. Burcham, J. A. Chipman.

Rock Creek: W. W. Myers.

Ronda: W. S. Edwards, A. M. Blackburn, R. R. Crater.

Shoaly Branch: Dallas Carter.

The Association was reorganized. T. C. DeBorde was elected Moderator and J. W. Gentry, Clerk. Visitors were invited to take seats with us. Rev. C. F. Fields from the Stone Mountain Association, Rev. M. B. Phillips from the Surry Association, and Dr. Van, from Raleigh, accepted.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Committee on Arrangements—D. W. Day, with Moderator and Clerk.

Temperance—Rev. M. F. Barker and R. R. Crater.

Orphanage—Rev. C. F. Fields, and Coy Durham.

Missions—Rev. C. F. Fields and Dr. E. L. Middleton.

Pastoral and Church Relations—J. A. Pettyjohn, J. F. Burcham.

Religious Exercises—H. D. Woodruff, Frank Hudson.

Minister's Relief—Rev. C. F. Fields, Charley Johnson.

Sunday School—M. L. Pettyjohn, A. M. Blackburn,

Finance—H. D. Woodruff, Dallas Carter.

Education—Dr. Van, Rev. C. F. Fields.

Time, Place and Preacher—L. G. Hurt, W. G. Burcham.

Obituaries—W. C. Gilliam, W. G. Burcham.

Resolutions—H. D. Woodruff, J. W. Gentry.

The report on Education was read and ably discussed by Dr. R. T. Vann. The report reads as follows:

The life of a nation depends upon its schools. The value of a school depends upon its ideals. The ideals of a school have their highest worth only as they are Christians.

To this end North Carolina Baptists have inaugurated a broad and systematic educational program. They are undertaking to maintain in this state one college for men at Wake Forest, and two for women—Meredith at Raleigh and Chowan at Murfreesboro. From last reports Wake Forest enrolled 873, including the summer school, and among

these 90 ministerial students and volunteers, the two women colleges enrolled 582, including 26 student volunteers. The combined property value of the three, including endowment is $3,453,700.

Mars Hill, Mountain View and Wingate are maintained as Junior Colleges, enrolling last year 738, including 82 ministerial students and volunteers. Their property valuation is $369,065. Also, there are 100 high school students in the Thomasville Orphanage.

In addition to these institutions, the Home Mission Board maintains 7 high schools, enrolling last year 776 in high school and 284 in elementary school, including 62 ministerial students and volunteers. Their property value was $437,693.

South-wide institutions in which we have a part, include the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.; the Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans.

While the $5,000,000.00 in round numbers, which we have invested in school property in this state seems a large sum, it is small in comparison with the many millions invested in State schools; and the few thousands which we raise annually for our schools is a trifling sum compared with the State's annual appropriation to her high schools, colleges and university.

The necessity for maintaining our schools, great as it has been in the past, must increase rather than diminish for the future, for the following reasons:

1st: Because our institutions must be kept in the front rank along with those of the State in cultural training that they give or we cannot hope to keep our Baptist boys and girls in our schools.

2nd: Heretofore, practically nine-tenths of our educated ministers and missionaries have come out of our Baptist institutions; and in the nature of the case, these still must be trained in our schools or nowhere.

3rd: Because of the tendency of some students of science to attack the Bible from the standpoint of science, we must train our God-fearing men and women to meet these scientists on their own ground, and while pursuing all knowledge in all realms, to relate all knowledge and all science to God Almighty. In our schools the Bible is revered and taught as the inspired word of God, and the study of it is required by all.

4th: The denominational schools emphasize not only the religious spirit but the denominational principles as well, and thus they help to enlighten and strengthen them in respect to our distinctive doctrines, and also to enlist them loyally in our Baptist enterprises.

Report adopted.

The committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. M. F. Barker preach tonight. On motion adjourned until tomorrow, 9:30 A. M. Prayer by W. C. Gilliam.

Evening Service

Sermon by Rev. M. F. Barker. Text: St. John 6:48—"I Am That Bread of Life."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. S. Edwards.

Dr. E. L. Middleton of the State Board of Missions, was gladly welcomed among us.

Periodicals were discussed by Rev. W. S. Edwards, Dr. E. L. Middleton and Dr. Perkins. The report reads:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Whatever Baptists read will largely determine what they do for the great interest of God's Kingdom. Among North Carolina Baptists the Biblical Recorder is the official organ. This paper has always stood for all the fundamental doctrines as orthodox Baptists believe. This paper carries a weekly message concerning all lines of our work, such as Missions, Christian Education, Sunday Schools, Young Peoples' Work, Woman's Work and Minister's Relief.

Charity and Children is the organ of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. This paper is one of the most interesting papers to be found anywhere. It is furnished to Sunday Schools in clubs of ten or more at 60c a year. Individual subscriptions are $1.00 per year.

As an association we urge our people to subscribe to these papers. All our pastors, Sunday school officers and teachers by all means ought to read these papers.

DAVID DAY, L. G. HURT,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

There is no part of our Christian work that touches our hearts more than our Orphanage work. There are between five and six hundred children at the orphanage and the Kennedy Home. We have about fifty mothers with about 250 children that are being aided in caring for these children.

The Orphanage is training these children for usefulness in life as good citizens and for doing greater service in the Kingdom of the Master.

C. F. FIELDS.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields and adopted.

Report on Missions read by Rev. C. F. Fields and discussed by Dr. E. L. Middleton. It reads as follows:

REPORT ON MISSIONS

There is no phase of our denominational work that needs more concentrated effort in all our churches than missions. This year ends the five-year period of the Sventy-Five Million Campaign, with a large amount of our quota unpaid. The treasurer's report this week shows only: $15,590.58 for State Missions; $13,457.23 for Home Missions; $20,902.50 for Foreign Missions; $20,079.50 for Missions undesignated.

All of our Boards are in debt and suffering for the want of money. Consecrated men and women are offering their services as missionaries to our 18 Foreign mission fields and no money to pay to send them or to support them when they get to a field. Our Home Mission Board needs money to pay its missionaries and support its mountain school. Our State Mission Board needs money to pay its missionaries.

Brethren, let us make to ourselves friends of the Mammon of Unrighteous that when we fail they may receive us into everlasting habitations.

We recommend that every church take a special collection for Missions

between now and the meeting of the Baptist State Convention, so our Boards can end this year with no debts hanging over them.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. FIELDS, E. L. MIDDLETON, Committee.

Report adopted.

Prayer by David Day. Intermission one hour.

Afternoon Session

Song by choir. Prayer by Rev. M. F. Barker.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School work of North Carolina Baptists was never more hopeful than now.

During the last four years we have gained over 60,000 members. This is more than we gained in the preceding ten years. We now have a Sunday School in every church except 125, and nearly 100 mission or branch schools.

The general spirit is fine. Hundreds of schools are improving their organization by grading. There are scores building new houses or adding class rooms to meet the needs of an up-to-date Sunday School so that more effective teaching can be done. Thousands of teachers are taking study courses in the Sunday School normal course. As an association we recommend the following:

1st: We've over 500,000 people who belong to Baptist Sunday Schools and are in no Sunday School. We must get out after our part of these unreached people.

2nd: We must make a place for them in our houses and classes by building as far as we can, class rooms and by necessary grading to fit all ages among our members.

3rd: We urge all our officers and teachers to secure, read and study such traits and books as will prepare them for the best service to their pupils and the school as a whole. Full information can be secured from Secretary E. L. Middleton, Raleigh, N. C.

4th: The untrained church members must be enlisted and trained in some form of Christian service and the thousands of lost people must be won to Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. BLACKBURN, L. M. PETTYJOHN, Committee.

Discussed by Brother A. M. Blackbrn and Dr. E. L. Middleton. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, your committee, will say that we believe that drunkenness is one of the greatest evils of which we come in contact. Sometimes its effect comes into the churches, causing much trouble and distress.

We urge each church member to do all in their power to do away with the drink evil. We believe much good can be accomplished through their efforts if they will work earnestly and prayerfully to this end.

M. F. BARKER, R. R. CRATER, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. M. F. Barker and Rev. E. F. Hinson. Adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your committee, beg leave to report that the next session of the

Elkin Baptist Association be held with Macedonia Baptist church, 2½ miles north of Ronda, beginning on Friday, before the first Sunday in October, 1925. We recommend Rev. W. W. Myers to preach the introductory sermon, at 11 A. M.

W. G. BURCHAM, L. G. HURT, Committee.

Adopted.

Report on Pastor and Church Relations was read by Rev. J. F. Burcham, discussed by Rev. W. W. Myers and Rev. E. F. Hinson. Report read as follows:

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS

There is no one on whom rests a greater responsibility than the pastor. He is to preach the gospel to condemn sin without fear or favor, supervise the church in all her church work, visit the sick, and comfort the bereaved.

The church should pray for its pastor and support him with their means. "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel," 1 Cor. 9:14. "For the laborer is worthy of his hire," Luke 10:7.

Adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas our Elkin Association has been so faithfully entertained by this church and communty, and whereas Elkin Valley church has shown such great interest in preparing for this association, we resolve:

1st—That our sincere thanks and hearty congratulations be tenderly submitted to this church and community.

2nd. That we humbly implore the benedictions of Almighty God to rest upon them, that they may reap an abundant harvest for their faithful work.

Adopted. H. D. WOODRUFF, J. W. GENTRY, Committee.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. W. W. Myers preach tonight.

Motion that the clerk have 400 minutes printed and distributed and the remainder of the funds be kept by him for his services. Motion to adjourn till time and place of next association. Benediction by Rev. W. C. Gilliam.

Evening Service

Sermon by Rev. W. W. Myers. Text: 2nd Corinthians, 10:4, "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal."

Sunday Services

Singing by choir. Sermons by Rev. A. J. Williams. Text: James 1:15, "Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin, and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death"; and by Rev. W. W. Myers, Text: Joshua 7:21, "When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them and took them; and, behold, they are hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it." Prayer by Rev. A. J. Williams.

CLERK'S STATEMENT

Sent to Walters Durham	$13.55
Sent to M. L. Kesler	11.46
Paid for printing minutes	20.00
	$45.01

ORDAINED MINISTERS

E. F. Hinson	State Road, N. C.
M. F. Barker	Benham, N. C.
J. M. Parks	Benham, N. C.
J. F. Smith	Benham, N. C.
Levi McCann	Ronda, N. C.
I. C. Woodruff	Roaring River, N. C.
J. A. Jordan	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
E. A. Whitley	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. W. Myers	North Wilkesboro, N. C.

OBITUARY OF T. M. BYRD

Whereas our Heavenly Father in His wisdom and goodness and love was pleasd to call from his earthly home to his eternal "heaven of rest" and whereas he was a deacon and faithful member of Pleasant Home church, we your committee, offer the following resolutions:

First—That we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who is "too wise to err and too good to be unkind," and while we mourn his removal, we pray for grace sufficient to enable Pleasant Home church to continue the work he loved and to which he gave so much of his life.

Second—That we bear loving testimony that he was a devoted Christian, a man f high integrity and of inestimable worth to his community: modest, unassuming, friendly and helpful to all.

Third—That in his death Pleasant Home church has lost one of its faithful, efficient and devout members, his friends a loyal supporter, the State an excellent citizen.

Fouth—That we extend to his family and friends our heartfelt sympathy in in their bereavement and share in their sorrow for their loss

W. G. BURCHAM, W. C. GILLIAM, Committee.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Gain by Baptism	Gain by Letter	Gain by Statement	Loss by Letter	Loss by Exclusion	Loss by Death	Total Membership
Center	D. G. Reece, Jonesville	Paul Caudle, Doughton	3	$ 800	2	....	....	4	....	....	48
Cool Spring	J. Z. Adams, Traphill	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	2	1200	7	....	....	2	....	5	188
Elkin Valley	Grant Cothren, Lomax	H. D. Woodruff, Elkin	1	2500	4	5	....	5	....	....	115
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher, Offen	M. W. Walls, Ronda	4	1300	....	....	....	....	....	1	120
Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	L. G. Hurt, Ronda	1	2000	8	....	....	3	3	3	160
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	4	2000	....	2	....	2	1	1	272
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan, N. Wilkesboro	W. G. Burcham, Roaring River	4	2000	4	....	....	1	....	2	150
Poplar Spring	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	J. W. Gentry, State Road	3	1000	....	....	....	....	....	....	71
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	J. A. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	2	1500	15	1	1	5	....	2	254
Ronda	Noah Jarvis, Ronda	C. B. Butner, Ronda	13	3500	4	3	....	....	....	2	109
Shoaly Branch	M. B. Phillips, Mt. Airy	J. C. Spencer, Benham	3	1000	....	....	....	5	....	1	118
White Plains	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. and B. Y. P. U. Exp.	Local Poor	Minute Fund, etc.	Other Objects	HOME TOTAL	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	GRAND TOTAL
Center	$ 45.75	$	$	$ 12.50	$	$ 5.11	$ 4.50	$ 1.25	$ 7.00	$ 76.11	$	$	$		$ 76.11
Cool Spring	50.00		25.00		29.38	3.75		2.10		110.23		2.31		6.50	119.04
Elkin Valley	135.00					31.95		4.67		171.62	2.00	25.33			218.95
Little Elkin	50.00				59.33			1.50		109.83					109.83
Macedonia	80.00		25.00		15.00			2.50		122.50		18.00			140.50
Pleasant Hill	150.00			200.00			20.30	3.70		374.00		4.00	10.00	2.55	390.55
Pleasant Home	36.50							2.30	18.00	56.80					56.80
Poplar Spring	100.00		20.00			15.00		2.00	15.00	152.00		3.15		3.00	158.15
Rock Creek	35.00			50.00		12.50		1.60		99.10					99.10
Ronda	220.92	1.50	70.00	1,200.00		45.35				1537.77		32.69			1570.46
Shoaly Branch	85.00		26.50		3.00		3.50	1.90		118.90		2.00		1.50	122.40
White Plains															

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	Superintendent and P. O.	Secretary and Postoffice	Officers and Teach.	Beginners 3 to 5	Primary 6 to 8	Junior 9 to 12	Intermed. 13 to 16	Se. and Ad. 17 up	Home Dept.	TOTAL	Is School Graded	Bap. from School	Contributions for Home Expenses	Contributions for Orphanage, Missions, etc.	TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS
Center	S. S. Thompson, Thurmond	Bertha Caudle, Doughton	5	12		15		13		40		2	$ 12.40	$	$ 12.40
Cool Spring	J. D. Luffman, Ronda	R. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	5	31		34		36		101		7	3.75		3.75
Elkin Valley	S. R. Collins, Elkin	Mrs. T. C. DeBorde, Elkin	8										31.95	25.33	57.28
Little Elkin	Charlie Byrd, Ronda	Viola Byrd, Ronda								61			9.00		9.00
Macedonia	T. L. Byrd, Ronda									110					
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Brookshire, Elkin	S. E. Newman, Elkin	8	10	30	35	42	75		200			47.13		47.13
Pleasant Home	John Q. Burcham, R. River	Gladys McCann, Ronda	6							56			8.00		8.00
Poplar Spring	Mason Ray, State Road	Mrs. Mason Ray, State Road	7	29		31	36	19		122			15.00		15.00
Rock Creek	W. M. Sebastian, N. W'boro	Naomi Higgins, N. Wilkes	8	10	10	11	12	14	10	75			12.50		12.50
Ronda	R. R. Crater, Ronda	Perna Martin, Ronda	8	25	18	18	22	34	23	148	yes	3	108.55	14.88	113.43
Shoaly Branch	H. F. Tulbert, Benham	Paul Tucker, State Road	6		10	13	15	15		59			3.50		3.50
White Plains															

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Elkin Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 2, 3 and 4th, 1925

T. C. DeBORDE, Moderator..... .....Elkin, N. C.

J. W. GENTRY, Clerk.....State Road, N. C.

The next session will be held with Pleasant Home Baptist Church, 5 miles northwest of Ronda, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1926, at 9:30 A. M.

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PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, OCT. 2, 1925.

The forty-seventh annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Macedonia Baptist Church at 11 A. M. Rev. D. G. Reece preached the introductory sermon. Text: Deut. 10:12, "And now Israel, what doth the Lord thy God require of thee, but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul."

Intermission thirty minutes.

The Association reassembled and was called to order by the Moderator. Letters were called for and eleven were handed in and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center: P. A. Caudle, James Woodle, C. A. Parks.
Ronda: R. R. Crater, A. M. Blackburn, Dr. S. L. Perkins.
Elkin Valley: W. J. Harmon, T. C. DeBorde, H. D. Woodruff.
Cool Spring: Hasten Tucker, R. L. Pettyjohn, M. L. Pettyjohn.
Macedonia: T. L. Byrd, Charley Byrd, G. A. Key.
Rock Creek: Orville Whitney, P. D. Emerson, J. H. Myers.
Shoaly Branch: H. F. Carter, Dallas Carter, H. J. Carter.
Poplar Spring: J. W. Gentry, W. F. Carter, J. A. Chipman.
Pleasant Home: W. G. Burcham, J. W. Cheek.
Little Elkin: J. M. Vanhoy, George Vanhoy.
Pleasant Hill: Walter Darnell.

An invitation was given to visitors and the following accepted seats with us: Prof. G. W. Paschal, Wake Forest; Rev. C. F. Fields, Rev. J. M. Absher, Rev. J. Z. Adams, of Stone Mountain Association; Rev. R. E. Adams, Siloam; Rev. D. G. Reece, Jonesville.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Arrangements: L. G. Hurt, with Moderator and Clerk.
Pastoral and Church Relations: R. E. Adams, W. S. Edwards.
Missions: Walter M. Gilmore, P. D. Emerson.
Religious Exercises: T. L. Byrd, G. A. Key.
Minister's Relief: J. M. Absher, W. G. Burcham.
Sunday School: Charley Byrd, Paul Caudill.
Finance: H. D. Woodruff, Dallas Carter.
Education: G. W. Paschal, R. L. Pettyjohn.
Time, Place and Preacher: M. L. Pettyjohn, W. G. Burcham, Hasten Tucker
Resolutions: W. J. Harmon, W. F. Carter.

Report on Education was read and discussed by Prof. G. W. Paschal.

REPORT ON EDUCATION

Our denomination has in the state three standard colleges, two junior colleges and two high schools.

The standard colleges are Wake Forest College, with about three million dollars endowment, and with more than seven hundred students; Meredith College, with about half million dollars endowment and five hundred students; Chowan College, with twenty-five

hundred dollars endowment and one hundred twenty-five students. Our Junior Colleges are Mars Hill, with about two hundred fifty students of college grade and Wingate College, with about one hundred fifty students of college grade. Our Academies are Buies Creek and Boiling Springs.

In Wake Forest College are 100 young men preparing for the ministry, and in our junior colleges and academies about as many more. The most of these young men are partly supported by the Board of Education.

In Meredith and Chowan Colleges are a number of young women preparing for work in the foreign field.

We desire to commend these various institutions as worthy of the support, patronage and confidence of our Association. They are our greatest helps for a supply, not only of educated young preachers, but also of men and women trained to work in the Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U., prayer meetings and other activities of our Baptist churches.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. PETTYJOHN,
G. W. PASCHAL, Committee.

Report adopted.

The report on Pastoral and Church Relations was read and discussed by Rev. R. E. Adams. The report reads:

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS

We your committee submit the following:

There is no greater responsibility upon any individual in the spread of the gospel than the pastor, but the efforts of the pastor are void to a great extent without a close cooperation of the churches with their prayers and substance.

The pastor should preach the word, advise the church, visit the sick, look after the needy and comfort the bereaved. The church should administer to his needs for they that preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

R. E. ADAMS,
W. S. EDWARDS, Committee.

Report adopted.

The committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. R. E. Adams preach tonight. By motion adjourned till tomorrow morning, 9:30 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

Evening Service

Sermon by Rev. R. E. Adams. Text: Ezra 28:21, 22, 23.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

Devotion was conducted by Dr. K. D. Stukenbrok.

Rev. C. F. Fields was appointed to write a report on Periodicals.

Rev. Walter Gilmore and Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok were welcomed visitors by our Moderator.

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF

We your committee on Minister's Relief submit the folowing report:

It seems to be the will of the Lord to call poor men to preach the gospel. To be obediant to the command of the Lord the faithful servants have no time to make provision for old age. Hence, we find many old servants of God whose conditions in life should appeal to our sympathy. We as Christian people should see that these old servants have of our means to help them through the toils of life.

W. G. BURCHAM,
J. M. ABSHER, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. J. M. Absher, Dr. Perkins, Dr. K. D. Stukenbrok and Rev. C. F. Fields.

Report adopted.

Song: "Amazing Grace."

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Jesus Christ himself was a missionary sent from heaven to earth to redeem a lost world. He said to His disciples, "As my Father hath sent me into the world even so send I you."

He commanded them to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature Hence, the mission of each individual Christian and of every church to make Jesus known around the world.

Southern Baptists are committed to the program of preaching the gospel in seventeen foreign countries. They have about 500 missionaries in these countries and 2500 native workers. Last year the Lord richly blessed the efforts of these missionaries with more than 12,000 baptisms.

Our Home Mission Board is seeking to make our Southland thoroughly Christian through its various agencies.

Our State Mission Board is charged with the responsibility of saving and training for service the people of North Carolina, for we believe in doing this we have adopted the most effective way of winning the lost world to the side and service of the Savior.

WALTER M. GILMORE,
P. D. EMERSON, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. Walter M. Gilmore and Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok.

Report adopted.

Prayer by Rev. W. S. Edwards.

Intermission one hour.

Afternoon Session

Song: "What a Friend We Have In Jesus."

Prayer by Rev. J. Z. Adams.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

A collection was taken to supplement the minute fund, which amounted to $3.80.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

To be temperate is to hold in check all things, words and actions that may produce more harm than good, words that wound feelings, making the heart ache numbered years, over eating that over taxes the system, dragging it down to an easy mark for the inroads of diseases, are evils that temperance would crowd out. The over using of tobacco, children chewing it and boys smoking cigarettes which prevent the full development of a clean, clear conscientious mind, the filthy users slobbering round and smeared lips and chin with snuff and ambier are both great temperance problems that should be deeply implanted early in childhood in all children.

Attention may now be called to the ill use of alcoholic drinks that shows in its trails abundantly all the crimes and ills that human minds can concieve, bringing poverty, hunger and cold into the homes of men, placing numbered thousands into an early grave, breaking up homes and destroying property, filling the courts and jails, increasing taxes on every one. Satan's vast army has no better ammunition, carrying out his evil deed, with one exception only, and that exception is lying and gossiping. One bright light is glimmering on the horizon. The alcoholic abuse is being slowly but surely subdued and prohibition is here to stay but the monster evil use of the alcoholic user is also here to stay and will have to be faced as long as man inhabits the earth. If all the church members would stand soldily against it, it would largely be put down.

S. L. PERKINS,
J. Z. ADAMS, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. Z. Adams and Rev. C. F. Fields.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

There is no part of our Christina work that needs our best efforts to further the work of the kingdom than the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville. There are between five and six hundred children at the Orphanage and the Kennedy Home, also about 300 children being cared for with their mothers at home. Yet hundreds of applications are being turned down every year for want of room.

Although there have been a lot of improvements made this year, the crying need of today is more room for destitute orphan boys and girls. These fatherless and motherless children are crying to us to help to train them for usefulness as workers in the Master's Kingdom. Once the cry of a child reached the heart of a heathen princess and she helped him and he became the great law giver to Israel.

Let all our churches and Sunday Schools rally to the support of the Orphanage. Let us all give at least one day's work at Thanksgiving to the Orphanage.

C. F. FIELDS,
J. MAJOR LYON, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields and Dr. Hayes.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Our people are a reading people. It is important that our people have the right kind of literature to read to interest them in the work of the kingdom.

The "Biblical Recorder," which stands for all the fundamental doctrines of orthodox Baptist, carries a weekly message concerning the work of the Baptist denomination, Missions, Christian Education, Sunday Schools, Young People's Work, and W. M. U.

"Charity and Children" keeps our people informed on Orphanage work.

We recommend that all our people subscribe for these papers.

C. F. FIELDS, Committee.

Remarks by Rev. C. F. Fields.

Report adopted.

A motion was made and carried to change our time of meeting to 9:30 A. M. instead of 11 A. M.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We beg to present the following resolutions:

1st. In behalf of the Association we hereby tender our thanks to the pastors, churches, and visiting brethren for their hearty cooperation in our Lord's work.

2nd. We hereby render our hearty thanks of this Association to Macedonia Church for their Christian hospitality in entertaining this Association, and we pray God's richest blessings upon this church and community.

W. F. CARTER,
W. J. HARMON, Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We your committee beg leave to report that the next session of Elkin Baptist Association be held with pleasant Home Church, 5 miles northwest of Ronda, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1926, at 9:30 A. M. We recommend Rev. Levi McCann to preach the introductory sermon; alternate, Rev. J. A. Jordan.

HASTEN TUCKER,
M. L. PETTYJOHN,
W. G. BURCHAM, Committee.

Report adopted.

By motion the Clerk was instructed to have 500 minutes printed and distributed to the different churches.

Committee on Religious Exercises report that Rev. C. F. Fields preach tonight and Dr. Hayes tomorrow.

By motion a lovely session of our Association closed. May heaven's richest blessings rest and abide with each member of

this Association and may they reap an abundant harvest for their labors.

T. C. DeBORDE, Moderator,
J. W. GENTRY, Clerk.

Evening Service

Sermon by Rev. C. F. Fields. Text: 2nd Timothy, 2nd chapter.

SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday School Report read by Charlie Byrd, discussed by Bro. C. P. Burchette, of Winston-Salem, and others.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We your committee on Sunday School submit the following report:

1. We find that the number enrolled in the Sunday Schools of this Association last year was about 500 less than the total church membership in the Association. Allowing that one third of the above number in the Sunday Schools are non-Christians and children under church age, we find that less than half of the church membership of this Association are actively engaged in the Sunday School work. This being true, we feel that the great and burning needs of the Sunday Schools of our Association are

First, enlistment; second, better qualified teachers; third ,better equipment.

CHARLIE BYRD,
P. A. CAUDLE, Committee.

CLERK'S STATEMENT

Sent to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C.	$31.65
Sent to F. B. Hamerick, Thomasville, N. C.	15.88
Paid for printing	27.00
	$74.53

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Levi McCann	Roaring River, N. C.
M. F. Barker	Roaring River, N. C.
W. S. Edwards	Ronda, N. C.
E. F. Hinson	State Road, N. C.
J. A. Jordan	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. W. Myers	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. N. Barker	Benham, N. C.
J. F. Smith	Benham, N. C.
E. A. Whitley	North Wilkesboro, N. C.

TABLE I—MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	GAINS				LOSS			Total present members	Regular Days of Meeting	In Village (V), Town (T), or Country (Co.)	When Constituted	Revivals during year		Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Total Value All All Church Property
			Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths						Rec. State Bapt. Paper					
Center	D. G. Reece, Jonesville	P. A. Caudle, Thurmond	14	3	1	....	2	2	....	62	3	Co.	1839	1	....	wood	200	1	800	800
Cool Spring	J. M. Absher, Offen	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	12	2	....	....	4	....	3	193	2	Co.	1805	1	....	wood	600	1	1200	1200
Elkin Valley	Grant Cothren, Lomax	H. D. Woodruff, Elkin	11	8	....	....	4	....	1	135	1	Co.	1915	1	3	wood	300	1	2500	2500
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher, Offen	M. W. Walls, Ronda	7	4	....	....	1	....	3	127	4	Co.	.....	1	....	wood	250	1	1300	1300
Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	Charley Byrd, Ronda	3	1	3	....	9	....	2	156	1	Co.	.....	1	....	wood	.....	1	2000	2000
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	2	3	....	....	3	....	1	273	4	Co.	1877	2	2	wood	400	1	2500	2500
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan, North Wilkesboro	W. G. Burcham, Roaring River	6	1	....	2	2	....	1	161	4	Co.	.....	1	....	wood	.....	1	2000	2000
Poplar Spring	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	J. W. Gentry, State Road	3	2	....	....	1	....	1	74	3	Co.	1885	1	....	wood	300	1	1000	1000
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	J. A. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	28	16	....	2	7	1	2	290	2	Co.	1849	1	....	wood	200	1	2000	2000
Ronda	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	R. R. Crater, Ronda	21	8	....	....	11	....	2	145	1 & 3	V.	1893	1	....	wood	300	4	3750	3750
Shoaly Branch	M. B. Phillips, Mt. Airy	Dallas Carter, Benham	7	....	17	....	3	....	2	137	3	Co.	1884	1	....	wood	.....	1	1100	1100
White Plains																				

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

CHURCH	Treasurer and Postoffice	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund, etc.	Other Objects	Home Total	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State and Associational Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	Other Benevolences	Denominational Total	
Center	P. A. Caudle, Thurmond	50 00	16 40	16 40			3 90	17 95	2 10		90 35	2 25									92
Cool Spring	Ed Tucker, Elkin								2 60							4 35		12 60			16
Elkin Valley		125 00	20 00	50 00	360 00	5 00	20 16	20 00	4 00		604 16		7 50		7 50	22 97		5 00	35 47	78 44	68
Little Elkin	M. W. Walls, Ronda	50 00							1 65		51 65										5
Macedonia		100 00	12 00	20 55					2 28		134 83					11 84		3 25			14
Pleasant Hill	W. C. Gilliam, Elkin	150 00	50 00	30 30		15 80		25 28	2 20		270 58	3 00	3 00	2 55		8 83				17 38	28
Pleasant Home		52 50		21 62					2 50	47 50	124 12										12
Poplar Spring	J.W.Gentry, State Road	100 00		20 00			15 00	3 00	2 85		140 85					1 00		1 00		2 00	14
Rock Creek		30 00			4 00	3 00	13 00	15 00	2 55		67 55		65	62		1 70		75		3 72	7
Ronda	E. D. Byrd, Ronda	270 00	15 00	36 16	200 00	10 00	77 10		2 00		610 23					39 30	5 43		1 03	44 76	65
Shoaly Branch	W. L. Draughn, Benham	100 00			150 00	3 00			1 85		254 85										25
White Plains																					

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	Superintendents and Post Offices	Secretaries and Post Offices	Officers and Teachers	Beginners, 3-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates, 13-16	Seniors and Adults	Cradle Roll, under 3	Total Enrollment
Center	P. A. Caudle, Thurmond	Beulah Thompson, Traphill	5	12	....	15	....	8	....	35
Cool Spring	R. L. Pettyjohn, State Road	Ed Tucker, Elkin	6	....	40	21	25	38	....	130
Elkin Valley	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin	Blanche Harmon, Elkin	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	180
Little Elkin	C. R. Byrd, Ronda	Viola Byrd, Ronda	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Macedonia	Carl Cockerham, Ronda	Mrs. S. M. Burchette, Ronda	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	140
Pleasant Hill	D. W. Day, Elkin	R. W. Darnell, Elkin	11	25	30	25	28	34	35	188
Pleasant Home	Winfield McCann, Ronda	Belle Waddell, Ronda	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Poplar Spring	A. L. Gentry, State Road	Claud Mounce, State Road	8	....	20	32	30	20	12	122
Rock Creek	W. M. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro		6	10	15	25	20	20	....	96
Ronda	R. R. Crater, Ronda	Eulala Church, Ronda	10	42	13	21	12	41	....	139
Shoaly Branch	W. F. Gilliam, Benham	Clara Gilliam, Benham	7	9	7	12	15	51	....	94
White Plains			....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Elkin

Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH

PLEASENT HOME BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 1, 2, and 3rd, 1926

J. A. JORDAN, Moderator.....N. Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. W. CHEEK, Clerk.....Roaring River, N. C.

The next session will be held with White Plains Baptist Church, 1 mile North of Roaring River, beginning on Friday the First Sunday in October, 1927, at 9:30 A. M.

Printed by the Tar Heel Republican, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, OCT. 1, 1926.

The forty-eighth annual session of the Elkin Baptist Association convened with Pleasant Home Baptist Church at 11:00 A. M. Rev. Levi McCann preached the introductory sermon. Text John 9-4, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day. The night cometh when no man can work."

Intermission thirty minutes.

The association was called to order by the Moderator and an election of officers was called. J. A. Jordan was elected Moderator and J. W. Cheek, Clerk. Letters were called for and twelve were handed in and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center: C. A. John, P. A. Caudill.
Cool Springs: M. L. Pettyjohn, C. P. Holbrook, J. M .Newman.
Elkin Valley: T. C. Deborde, Arthur Harmon.
Little Elkin: J. M. Vannoy, T. H. Settle.
Macedonia: Chas. R. Byrd, L. G. Hurt, G. A. Key.
Pleasant Hill: David W. Day, G. W. Mastin, G. F. Couch.
Pleasant Home: W. G. Buchanan, L. L. Gentry, A. R. Cheek.
Poplar Springs: J. M. Gentry, Dallas Hinson.
Rock Creek: P. D. Emerson, W. M. Sebastian.
Ronda: R. R. Crater.
Shoaly Branch: H. F. Tulbert, J. A. Darnell.
White Plains: W. S. Alexander.

An invitation was given to visitors and the following accepted seats with us: J .F. Jordan, J. S. Elliot, J. A. Gilliam, Stone Mountain Association; Rev. John L. Riddle, Yadkin Association.

Committees were appointed as follows:

Arrangements: J. A. Darnell, W. G. Burcham.
Pastorial and Church relations: W. S. Alexander, David W. Day
Missions: J. S. Elliot, M. F. Barker.
Religious Exercises: L. L. Gentry, W. G. Burcham.
Orphanage: J. S .Elliot, C. C. Burcham.
Ministers' Relief: John Burcham, Levi McCann.
Finance: J. L. Riddle, O. P. Holbrook.
Education: J. F. Jordan, T. H. Settle.
Resolutons: Weaver Mastin, A. D. Harmon.
Sunday School: M. L. Pettyjohn, Charlie R. Byrd.
Time, Place and Preachers: Weaver Poplin, Philo D. Emerson.
Perodicals: J. M. Vannoy, J. W. Newman.

Evening service at J. L. Riddle Tent. Sermon by Rev. John L. Riddle. Text: Genesis-3-22-23-24.

SATURDAY, OCT. 2. 1926.

Association opened by Rev. J. S. Elliot.

Prayer by Rev. Levi McCann.

Called to order by Moderator.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

The greatest thing in the world is the heart and mind of a little child. The greatest work in the state of North Carolina is the training of these hearts and minds for future usefullness and good. The saddest thing you see is children who have no father or mother to train and educate them. The best institution in the state for this business is our own Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, whose business it is to care for as many children as we Baptists see fit to bear the expense of by our free donations.

This Institution not only gives the child an intellectual education, but at the same time teaches him a trade which secures for him an honest living.

We advise that every Baptist will at least give our orphanage the amount of one day's work along about Thanksgiving Day.

C. C. BURCHAM,
J. S. ELLIOT, Com.

Remarks by J. S. Elliot and W. P. Beach.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

As you know our Mission program is divided into three departments: State, Home and Foreign Missions.

Men who go forth for Christ's sake and get nothing from the one to whom he goes is a missionary.

We are bound by duty to support them, because we are not our own, we are bought with a price. Therefore we ought to glorify God in our body and in our spirit which are God's. You belong to the Lord Jesus, body, soul and spirit, since your mind and body and time and money belong to Him. He commands you to work to make money to give.

The reason assigned is that the man who stayed by the stuff at home and the man on the far flung battle line at the front will receive the same reward exactly.

J. S. ELLIOT,
M. F. BARKER, Com.

Discussed by J. S. Elliot, M. F. Barker and W. R. Beach.

Report adopted.

Saturday Morning

We, your Committee on Ministers' Relief, submit the following report:

It seems to be the will of the Lord to call poor men to preach the gospel to the lost world, and as they go on their mission they have no time to make provision for old age. Hence it is our duty to help them.

We recommend that the churches take an offering at least once a year for them.

LEVI M'CANN,
JOHN BURCHAM, Com.

Remarks, Rev. John Burcham and Rev. Levi McCann.

Report adopted.

Sermon by Rev. J. S. Elliot. Text 4" Deuteronomy.

Intermission one hour.

Afternoon Session

Songs, "I Live On," "I Want to Love Him More."

Prayer by J. F. Jordan.

W. G. Burcham and L. L. Gentry report on Religious Exercises. Report that Rev. John Burcham preach tonight and Rev. J. A. Jordan tomorrow at 11:00 A. M.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We, your Committee, beg to report that first of all we should read the Bible in its fullness. For in so doing we get the greatest instructions and by the Word of God we think we have entered life.

We also recommend that the people of this association read some religious papers.

By this, we can get at what the Baptist people are doing in the work of Jusus Christ. We mention the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children as papers to give good information and forward us on the work.

J. M. VANHOY,
J. W. NEWMAN, Com.

Afternoon Session

REPORT ON EDUCATION

Our denomination has in the state three standard colleges and two high schools.

The standard colleges are: Wake Forest, with about three million dollars endowment, and a student body of approximately eight hundred.

Merideth College has about a half million dollars endowment, and a student body of about five hundred.

Our Junior Colleges are Mars Hill and Wingate Colleges. Our high schools are Mountain View and Fruitland Institute.

Wake Forest College has approximately one hundred young men preparing for the ministry. Most of these young men are partly supported by the Board of Education. In our academies and high schools are a number of young men studying for the ministry that we must give our support to. Meredith and Chowan prepare our young women for foreign missionaries. In these colleges and schools is where our young men and women get Christian education and training. It is here the teaching of the Bible, of Christ and the change of heart is stressed.

We desire to commend these various institutions as worthy of the support, patronage and confidence of our association. They are our gretestt sources of supply, not only of young trained preachers, but of men and women trained to work in churches, Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U., Prayer Meetings and oth-act'vities of our Baptist Churches.

J. F. JORDAN.,
T. H. SETTLE, Com.

Remarks by J. F. Jordan and J. S. Elliot.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We should be temperate in all things, especially in the things that tender to lower morals, injure health, retard growth and development of our children. We think people should abstain from the use of all alcoholic beverages, harmful drugs and narcotics. We should cooperate with our prohibition officers and try to help drive the liquor traffic from our country. And we should not vote for any officer who is in sympathy with the liquor traffic.

O. P. HOLBROOK,
J. L. RIDDLE, Com.

Remadks by J. F. Jordan and J. S. Elliot.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF PASTORIAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS

We, your committee, submit the following:

The pastor is the Shepherd of the flock. There is no greater responsibility on any one than the pastor in preaching the Bible to his Church.

The work of the pastor is void without the prayer and close cooperation of the Church. Being the Shepherd of the flock and head of the Church he should preach the Word and advise the Church, visit thesick, look after the needy and speak a word of comfort to the bereaved.

The Church should look after the pastor and administer to his needs. For they that preach the Word should live of the Word.

The church should accept the word as preached by the pastor and live up to it.

CHARLIE R. BYRD,
J. F. JORDAN, Com.

Remarks by Charlie R. Byrd, J. F. Jordan and Levi McCann.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We beg to present the following resolutions:

1. In behalf of the associataion we hereby tender our thanks to the pastors, churches and visiting bretheren for their hearty cooperation in their Lord's work.

2. We hereby render our hearty thanks, of this association,

to Pleasant Home for their Christian Hospitality entertaining this association, and we pray God's richest blessings upon this Church and community.

W. G. MASTIN,
A. D. HARMON. Com.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that the next session of the Elkin Baptist Association be held with White Plains Baptist Church, one mile North of Roaring River, N. C. beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1927, at 9:30 A. M. We recommend Rev. Jas. Bryant to preach the introductory sermon. Alternate, Rev. John Burcham.

WEAVER POPLIN,
PHILO D. EMERSON, Com.

Report adopted.

By motion the clerk was to have 500 minutes printed and distributed to the different churches.

By motion the harmonious session of our association closed.

May Heaven's richest blessings rest and abide with each member of this association.

J. A. JORDAN, Moderator,
J. W. CHEEK, Clerk.

Evening Service

Sermon by Rev. John Burcham. Text: 1st Samuel, 16-7

SUNDAY MORNING

Sunday School report read by J. W. Cheek.

Discussed by Charlie R. Byrd, J. F. Jordan and Rev. John Burcham.

Report Adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, submit the following report:

We find that the number enrolled in our Sunday Schools of this association last year was about 629 less than the total membership in the association. The preceeding report shows 500 less, which naturally without further information would show a decrease in our Sunday Schools. But as the people in general know that last year's revival season was an exception. The result was a great ingathering which is a great evidence of increase and spiritual reviving in our Sunday Schools. Another great evidence of increasing in our Sunday Schools in the interest and success manifested in the Sunday School conventions.

But for some cause the new converts are not enrolling in the Sunday Schools or old members dropping out, one or the other causing the Sunday Schools not to compete with the enrollment of the church.

As near as we can come at this calculation about one-third of the enrollment of the Sunday Schools are non-christians and children under church age. We find by general observation and statistics that a small percent of the church membership are actively engaged in the Sunday Schools or even church work.

We suggest and insist that the leaders of each Sunday School in the association stress the following points:

1. Enlistment
2. Encouragement
3. Better qualified teachers
4. Better equipments
5. That we believe that the interest greatly depends upon the fathers and mothers of our community in the interest that our children take in the Sunday School. Because we know that the hopes of our Sunday Schools depend upon the young people of our country.

Respectfully Submitted,
CHARLIE M. BYRD,
M. L. PETTYJOHN, Com.

Taken up collection to suppliment the Minute fund, $4.36

CLERK'S STATEMENT

Sent to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C.	$3.92
Sent to Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C.	$7.80
Paid for printing,	$25.00
Total	$36.72

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Levi McCann	Roaring River, N. C.
M. F. Barker	Roaring River, N. C.
W. S. Edwards	Ronda, N. C.
E. F. Hinson,	State Road, N. C.
J. A. Jordan	N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. W. Myers	N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. N. Barker	Benham, N. C.
J. F. Smith	Benham, N. C.

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Cool Spring	J. M. Absher, Offen,	M. L. Pettyjohn Elkin,	27	7	1	1	12	1	2	215	2	C	1805	1	--	Wood	500	1	2500	2500
Elkin Valley	R. E. Adams, East Bend	H. D. Woodruff Elkin,	15	15	--	--	4	--	1	164	1	C	1884	1	2	Wood	300	1	2500	2500
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher Offen	M. W. Walls, Ronda	--	--	--	--	4	--	1	113	4	C	1905	1	--	Wood	400	1	2000	2000
Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin,	C. K. Byrd, Ronda	1	--	--	--	1	--	--	156	1	C	----	1	--	Wood	400	1	2000	2000
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin,	David W. Day, Elkin,	60	11	1	3	8	5	2	308	4	C	1897	1	2	Wood	500	1	4000	4000
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Cheek, Roaring River,	--	1	--	2	3	--	--	155	4	C	1878	1	1	Wood	500	1	2000	2000
Poplar Spring	J. W. Bryant, Elkin,	J. W. Gentry, State Road,	2	3	1	--	4	--	--	70	3	C	1885	1	2	Wood	400	1	1000	1000
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott Knottville,	J. A. Sebastion, N. Wilkesboro,	5	1	1	--	1	5	4	287	2	C	1849	1	--	Wood	200	1	2000	2000
Ronda	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River,	R. R. Crater, Ronda	11	4	--	--	9	--	--	151	1&3	V	1892	1	40	Wood	300	4	3750	3750
Shoaly Branch	M. B. Phillips Mt. Airy,	Dallas Carter, Benham	2	2	--	--	2	--	2	134	3	C	1884	1	--	Wood	400	1	1100	1100
White Plains	Jas. Bryant, Roaring River,	H. S. Sparks, Roaring River,	12	1	--	--	--	--	1	143	3	C	----	1	--	Wood	300	1	1000	1000

CORRECTIONS

In setting table one an attempt was made to bring the churches in alphabetical order and in doing so the line of figures and the officers of Mecedonia church were misplaced opposite Poplar Springs and Macedonia, Pleasant Hill Pleasant Home and Poplar Springs were mixed up. The table on the other side of this sheet should be attached to the page in the book and should take its place.

Since the copy was furnished the printer it has been found that two ordained ministers were omitted from the list on the last page and they are herewith given, as follows:

J. W. Bryan

Richard Day

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Elkin Valley	R. E. Adams, East Bend.	H. D. Woodruff, Elkin	15	15	--	--	4	--	1	164	1	C	1881	1	2	Wood	300	1	2500	2500
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher Offen	M. W. Walls, Ronda	--	--	--	--	4	--	1	113	4	C	1905	1	--	Wood	400	1	2000	2000
Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin.	David W. Day, Elkin	60	11	1	3	8	5	2	308	4	C	1897	1	2	Wood	500	1	4000	4000
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin.	J. W. Cheek Roaring River	--	1	--	2	3	--	--	155	4	C	1878	1	1	Wood	500	1	2000	2000
Pleasant Home	J. A. Jordan, N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Gentry, State Road,	2	3	1	--	2	--	--	70	3	C	1885	1	2	Wood	400	1	1000	1000
Poplar Spring	J. W. Bryant Elkin,	C. K. Byrd, Ronda Ronda	1	--	--	--	1	--	--	156	1	C	----	1	--	Wood	400	1	2000	2000
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knottville.	J. A. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	5	1	1	--	1	5	4	287	2	C	1849	1	--	Wood	200	1	2000	2000
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TABLE II, FINANCIAL

CHURCH	Treasurer and Post Office	Pastors Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Home Total	Home Missions	State and Associational Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Denominational Total	GRAND TOTAL
Center	P. A. Caudill Thudmond	55 35	12 00	----	----	----	3 50	14 75	2 20	21 80	109 60	----	----	----	----	----	109 60
Cool Spring	M. L. Petyjohn Elkin	70 00	----	----	200 00	----	----	----	2 05	----	270 00	----	----	3 15	2 50	5 65	275 65
Elkin Valley	H. D. Woodruff Elkin	217 35	22 00	----	20 00	----	22 00	335	4 44	----	288 70	----	----	----	----	----	329 62
Little Elkin	C. M .Byrd Ronda	50 00	----	13 45	----	----	12 00	----	2 05	----	77 50	----	----	----	----	----	77 50
Macedonia	---- ----	100 00	12 00	17 90	----	----	10 40	----	1 5[illegible]	----	141 80	----	----	4 43	----	4 43	146 73
Pleasant Hill	David W. Day Elkin	150 00	50 00	36 96	1 20	20 60	12 45	28 05	1 51	----	300 77	----	----	1 50	1 00	2 92	303 69
Pleasant Home	J. W. Cheek Ro. River	30 00	23 00	14 00	----	7 00	5 00		2 31	----	81 31	----	----	2 00	1 00	3 00	84 31
Poplar Spring	J. W. Gentry State Road	100 00	----	20 00	----	----	----	----	2 00	8 61	130 00	----	----	3 00	2 60	5 60	136 21
Rock Creek	---- ----	30 00	----	----	----	5 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	----	46 00	----	----	----	----	----	46 00
Ronda	E. D. Byrd Ronda	185 00	10 00	42 07	75 00	9 50	3 09	4 26	2 00	168 18	499 10	----	10 00	60 38	----	70 38	569 48
Shady Branch	W. L. Draughn Benham	100 00	----	----	----	----	----	----	2 00	----	102 00	----	----	3 15	----	3 15	105 15
White Plains		----	----	----	----	----	----	----	2 00	----	2 50	----	----	----	----	----	2 50

TABLE III--SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	Superintendents and Post Offices	Secretaries and Post Offices	Officers and Teachers	Beginners, 3-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 years and up	Total Enrollment
Center	W .F. Holcomb Thurmond	Lessie Johnson Thurmond	6	--	12	10	--	--	15	43
Cool Spring	R. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	Leater Walls, Ronda	7	26	21	23	29	--	40	146
Elkin Valley	T. C. Deboid, Elkin	Blanche Harmon, Elkin	7	--	65	35	39	--	58	204
Little Elkin	C. K. Byrd, Ronda	Viola Byrd, Ronda	5	23	25	--	35	--	--	85
Macedonia	Carl Cockerham Ro. River	Ella Byrd, Ronda	10	--	30	39	--	--	58	137
Pleasant Hill	David W. Day, Elkin	G. W. Mastin Elkin	8	53	20	25	36	39	53	228
Pleasant Home	John Q. Burcham Ro. River	Olevia Gentry, Ro. River	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	80
Poplar Spring	W. W. Guyer, State Road	K. F. Ray, State Road	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	146
Rock Creek	W. M. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	Vassie Byrd, N. Wilkesboro	7	--	10	15	10	15	10	60
Ronda	R. R. Crater, Ronda	Eulala Church, Ronda	10	20	21	12	15	14	22	164
Shoaly Branch	W. L. Draughn, Burcham	Clara Gilliam, Benham	7	7	6	12	13	16	42	103
White Plains	W. L. Alexander	Lytle Alexander, Ro. River	10	6	9	10	20	--	25	80

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Elkin Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH

White Plains Baptist Church

Sept. 30th, Oct. 1st and 2nd, 1927

M. L. PETTYJOHN, Moderator.....Elkin, N. C.

J. W. CHEEK, Clerk.....Roaring River, N. C.

The next session will be held with Rock Creek Baptist Church, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1928, at 9:30 A. M.

ELK PRINTING COMPANY, INC., ELKIN, N. C.

Proceedings of the Forty-Ninth Annual Session of the Elkin Baptist Association, Convened with White Plains Baptist Church, Sept. 30th and Oct. 1st and 2nd, 1927.

The first session opened Friday morning, Sept. 30, 1927, at 9:30 o'clock. Rev. John Burcham preached the introductory sermon. Text: Matthews 5:14. On motion, Brother Levi McCann was made Moderator pro tem. The Association was called to order by Brother McCann.

Letters were called for and twelve handed in and delegates enrolled as follows:

Center: P. A. Caudill, C. L. Johnson, J. B. Woodruff.
Cool Springs: M. L. Pettyjohn, R. C. Harris, J. W. Newman.
Elkin Valley: T. C. Deborde, H. D. Woodruff.
Little Elkin: J. M. Vanhoy, M. W. Walls.
Macedonia: C. R. Byrd, T. L. Byrd, J. N. Burchette.
Pleasant Hill: E. F. Yarbor, D. W. Day.
Pleasant Home: Jas. McCann.
Poplar Springs: W. F. Carter, H. W. Ray.
Rock Creek: A. Brewer, J. A. Sebastian.
Ronda: A. M. Blackburn.
Shoaly Branch: Dallas Carter, W. W. Darnell.
White Plains: W. S. Alexander, B. E. Blackburn.
Adjournment, 30 minutes.

On motion, proceeded to elect officers by ballot and elected M. L. Pettyjohn Moderator; and J. W. Cheek, Clerk.

An invitation was given to visitors and the following accepted seats with us: J. M. Caudill, Pilot Moutain Association; J. F. Jordan, Brushy Mountain Association; and Rev. John Burcham and J. A. Gilliam, Stone Mountain Association; and J. A. McKaughan, representing Biblical Recorder.

The Moderator Appointed Committees as Follows:

Arrangements: M. F. Barker, Moderator and Clerk.

Pastoral and Church Relations: T. L. Byrd, A. M. Blackburn.

Missions: John Burcham and J. F. Jordan.
Temperance: Levi McCann, Charlie Byrd, David W. Day.
Orphanage: David W. Day, Conrad Harris.
Religious Exercises: Delegates of White Plains church.
Ministers' Relief: Marvin Walls, Dallas Carter.
Sunday School: W. W. Myers, Charlie Byrd.
Finance: H. D. Woodruff, R. C. Harris.
Education: J. F. Jordan, J. M. Caudill.
Resolutions: J. A. Sebastian, W. S. Alexander.
Periodicals: J. A. McKaughan, J. F. Jordan, M. F. Barker.
Time, Place and Preacher: A. Brewer, B. E. Blackburn.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Rev. M. F. Barker preaches tonight. Text: Gen. 37:13—"And He said to Him "Here am I"; and Rev. J. A. McKaughan will preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your committee on Time, Place and Preacher, report that the next session of the Elkin Baptist Association will be held with Rock Creek Baptist Church, 5 miles northwest of Roaring River station, on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1928, at 9:30 A. M., introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. J. S. Elliot.

A. BREWER,
B. E. BLACKBURN,
Committee.

On motion the following brethren were appointed to select and nominate brethren to write reports on the different objects for the session of the Association for 1928: T. L. Byrd, David W. Day and M. F. Barker. Committees were appointed as follows:

Arrangements: M. L. Pettyjohn, J. W. Cheek, J. M. Absher.

Pastoral and Church Relations: M. F. Barker, Harrison Barker, H. W. Cockerham.

Home Missions: T. C. Deborde, Windon Garr, Hugh Harmon.

State Missions: P. A. Caudill, J. B. Woodruff, C. L. Johnson.

Foreign Missions: Charlie Byrd, J. W. Bryant, Luther Byrd.

Religious Exercise: A. Brewer, Rev. Mr. Sebastian, Arvil Whitley.

Orphanage: D. W. Day, Richard Day, E. F. Yarbor.

Ministers' Relief: A. E. Sparks, Levi McCann, W. S. Alexander.

Finance: David Woodruff, Carl Deborde.

Education: J. F. Jordan, W. M. Alexander.

Resolutions: Hershel Tulbert, W. L. Draughon, J. C. Spencer.

Sunday School: T. H. Settle, A. C. Walls, M. W. Walls.

Time, Place and Preacher: J. Q. Burcham, Rev. John Burcham, A. M. Blackburn.

Periodicals: R. R. Crater, Thomas Chandler, Fred Poplin.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, the committee on Temperance, submit the following report:

He that striveth for the Master is temperate in all things.

They do this that they may receive a corruptable crown. If it is necessary for those who are striving for a corruptable crown to be temperate; then is it not much more necessary for us who are striving for a crown of righteousness to be temperate in all things? We should abstain from these things that tend to lower the morals, injure the health, retard the growth and development of our children. We know that the people should abstain from the use of all alcoholic beverages, harmful drugs and narcotics. We insist that our people co-operate with the officers of our land in keeping our country dry.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. LEVI McCANN,
CHARLIE R. BYRD,
DAVID DAY,
Committee.

Remarks by Rev. Levi McCann, Rev. J. F. Lyons and Rev. John Burcham.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We, your committee, desire to remind you again of the invaluable service rendered to our work by our Baptist publications and would therefore beseech you to help those who labor with you in the Kingdom.

We would direct your attention to our own state paper, the Biblical Recorder, and urge that our pastors and churches co-operate in the campaign which will be put on this fall to increase the circulation.

We desire also to call attention to Home and Foreign Fields, published by our Sunday School Board, which covers the work on our mission fields, both at home and abroad.

We express our most earnest desire to have our churches lend their support and assistance to the circulation of Charity and Children, published by our orphanage in the interest of our work for the little ones.

We recommend that our pastors secure in their churches some live and efficient person to represent our Baptist periodicals, that new subscriptions be solicited, and that those in arrears with their subscriptions be seen and requested to pay up all accounts due on back subscriptions.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN,
J. A. McKAUGHAN,
M. F. BARKER,
Committee.

Remarks by J. A. McKaughan.

Adopted.

SATURDAY, OCT. 1ST, 1927

Song: "Sweet By and By;" "Where the Soul Never Dies." Association opened by Rev. A. T. Pardue with prayer. Called to order by Moderator. Call for visitors and Brother A. T. Pardue, of Brushy Mountain; N. T. Jarvis, Brier Creek Association; J. A. Gilliam, Stone Mountain Association, accepted seats with us.

REPORT ON PASTOR AND CHURCH RELATIONS

We, your committee, submit the following:

The pastor is the Shepherd of the flock.

There is no greater responsibility on any one person than the pastor of a church, to preach the word in its fullness and purity, and also advise his flock in truth and righteousness.

The pastor is powerless, to a great extent, without the prayers and hearty co-operation of the church. Being the Shepherd of the flock and head of the church, he should preach the Word and advise the church, visit the sick, look after the needy and speak a word of comfort to the bereaved.

The church should look after the financial needs of the pastor. "For they that preach the Word should live of the Word." Each of these should study to show themselves approved unto God. A workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth, and live up to it.

Respectfully submitted,

T. L. BYRD,

A. M. BLACKBURN,

Committee.

Remarks by A. M. Blackburn, N. T. Jarvis, A. T. Pardue, J. A. McKaughan.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Our Mission program is divided into three departments—State, Home and Foreign Missions. A great expansion has taken place in the last few years over all the country. Much of this has been the result of Home Mission work on the part of the independent churches. Our State Mission has done splendid work and organized several churches and added greatly to the Lord's work. Our Foreign Missions are greatly handicapped for the lack of funds. Several Foreign Missionaries have been kept at home and could not return this year for the lack of money. Our Mission work in foreign fields has been too great a success to keep our missionaries at home. Let's urge all the

churches in Elkin Association to rally to the support of these missionaries, and assist them in returning to our foreign fields.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN,

Committee.

Remarks by J. A. McKaughan.

Report adopted.

Intermission, one hour.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Song: "He Loves Me," "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer by R. C. Harris. Association called to order by Moderator. Collection of $2.85 taken up to supplement the Minute Fund.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

The Orphanage Home at Thomasville is doing a great good in taking boys and girls that are left alone in the world and training them for a life of usefulness out in the future. This institution is not automatic, but the Baptist people can make it automatic by casting in their little mite. It will thereby be enabled to take care of a greater number of these boys and girls, which represent the very essence of pure and undefiled religion. This being the only kind that our Father up in heaven will accept, let us appeal to you that you become willing for God's will to be done in you so that this great cause may go forward.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. DAY,

R. C. HARRIS,

Committee.

Discussed by J. F. Jordan.

Report adopted.

On motion, Brother H. D. Woodruff was asked to visit all the churches in the Elkin Association to solicit funds for the Baptist Orphanage.

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF

Brethren, there is no cause more worthy that claims our attention than this. So let us not forget our duty to these old veterans of the Cross and especially let us not forget to make a Christian offering to these old brethren.

Respectfully submitted,

M. W. WALLS,

DALLAS CARTER,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In presenting the report on Christian Education, you can recognize that the emphasis on education will have to be laid on what our denomination understands to be Christian. Too much education today parades under the guise of Christian; therefore great safeguards should be placed around our schools that are distinctively Christian and denominational. The object of maintaining our denominational schools is not only to give the younger Christians an opportunity to get an education in a spiritual atmosphere with the additional training for service in our churches, but to train those who have been called of God to special service to preach the Gospel at home and abroad.

We cannot, and ought not, to expect this from the State schools, since they are designed to train for citizenship only. Therefore, the denomination is compelled to maintain its own schools for the above mentioned objects.

It is not necessary to go into detail of what our denominational schools have accomplished. The investment of money and investment of the life of the Godly teachers are amply demonstrated by the products of these schools in every walk of life, especially so in the lives of our missionaries who have been trained in our schools, colleges and seminaries.

With the above facts before us, we as an Association, should stand four-square behind these—our schools—in our co-operative program, giving of our prayers, our sympathy and our means.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN,
JOHN CAUDILL,
Committee.

Remarks by J. F. Jordan.
Adopted.

Report on Religious Exercises. Reported that Rev. J. Z. Adams will preach tonight and tomorrow at 11 o'clock. Evening service text: Isaiah 55:3: "Incline your ear, and come unto me. Hear, and your soul shall live." Sunday 11 A. M. service, text: Acts 1:8: "And ye shall be witness unto me both in jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the committee on resolutions, submit the following report:

That we tender our thanks to the delegates of the different churches and visiting brethren for their hearty co-operation and conscientious work during this association; and that

we tender our heartfelt thanks in behalf of this association to the Christian people of White Plains church, for their kind hospitality during this session of the association. We pray the blessing of God to rest upon them.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. ALEXANDER,
J. A. SEBASTIAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

On motion, F. R. Harris of Roaring River and J. A. Sebastian of R. F. D. No. 2, North Wilkesboro, were appointed as trustees to Mountain View school.

By motion, the Clerk was to have 500 Minutes printed and distributed to the different churches.

By motion, a harmonious session of our Association closed.

May we all take more interest in our Association, by giving it our presence. I'm sure we will get well paid for all time we put in it. We will never miss it in the end. Christianity is just what we make it. Prayer with co-operation will make a change.

M. L. PETTYJOHN, Moderator, Elkin, N. C.
J. W. CHEEK, Clerk, Roaring River, N. C.

SUNDAY SERVICES, OCT. 2ND, 1927

Singing by choir. Devotional exercises by Rev. John Burcham, reading the 17th chapter of St. John. Prayer by Rev. A. T. Pardue.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee, submit the following report:

Apart from the preaching of the Word, there is no greater work than the teaching of the Word in the Sunday school on the Sabbath Day, trying to instill the right principles of moral and Christian living into the hearts and minds of the rising generation. In this we have a part in forming, shaping and molding the character of those who are to take our places out yonder just a little ways in the future. We appeal to you, that it is the duty, and an indispensible duty, to every believer in Christ Jesus to have a part in this great work. Solomon says: "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." To illustrate this, we find that the total membership of all the churches in this association last year was 1936, and the total enrollment of our Sunday schools last year was 1476. Showing that the number actually enrolled in our Sunday schools was 450 less than the total membership of this association, not saying anything about the large

per cent enrolled in our Sunday schools who are non-Christians and under church age.

We insist that the fathers and mothers show their interest and well-wishing to the cause and their children by carrying them to Sunday school each Sabbath morning and actively engage in that work. James says: "Show thy faith without works, and I will show thee my faith by my works."

We suggest and insist that the leaders of each Sunday school stress the following points:

1. Service enlistment.
2. Co-operative encouragement.
3. Sufficient equipments.
4. And last but not least, that we urge all our officers and teachers to secure, read and study such traits and books as will prepare them for the best service to their pupils and the school as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLIE R. BYRD.

Remarks by Rev. J. Z. Adams, J. M. Caudill, Rev. John Burcham and Charlie R. Byrd.

Report adopted.

CLERK'S STATEMENT

Minute funds, received	$31.80	
For Orphanage, received	4.00	
For Ministers' Relief, received	6.00	
For Hospital, received	3.00	
Total Received	$44.80	
Sent to Orphanage		4.00
Sent to Hospital, Winston-Salem		3.00
Sent Ministers' Relief		6.00
Paid for printing Minutes		40.00
Paid Clerk for his services		10.00
Balance due Clerk for printing		18.20

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Levi McCann	Roaring River, N. C.
M. F. Barker	Roaring River, N. C.
J. A. Jordan	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. W. Myers	North Wilkesboro, N. C.
B. C. Jordan	Roaring River, N. C.
J. W. Bryant	Elkin, N. C.
Richard Day	Elkin, N. C.
E. F. Hinson	State Road, N. C.
J. F. Smith	Benham, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

T. M. Chandler ..... Ronda, N. C.
John H. Luffman ..... Ronda, N. C.
Arvil Whitley ..... North Wilkesboro, N. C.

OUR DEPARTED ONES

Cool Springs: Noah Tucker, T. T. Whitley, M. C. Pruitt.

Elkin Valley: Mrs. T. C. Deborde.

Macedonia: Willie Morrison, Mrs. Nettie Reynolds, Mrs. Crissie Luffman.

Pleasant Hill: Mrs. James Transou.

Pleasant Home: Mrs. Mary K. Thornton, Mrs. Lydia Waddell.

Poplar Springs: Mrs. Nancy Hamby.

Ronda: W. A. Hendrix, Rev. W. S. Edwards, J. M. Dobbins, Mrs. Chas. B. Mastin.

Shoaly Branhc: C. F. Carter, Robert Spencer, Mrs. Ellen Billings.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Churches	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	S. S. Supt., and Postoffice
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Elkin Valley	R. E. Adams, East Bend	1881	C	2nd	5	168	1	1	.....	1	224	74
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Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	1876	C	1st	8	160	1	1	.....	1	80	38
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	1897	C	4th	7	306	1	1	.....	1	170	135
Pleasant Home	Grant Cothran, Lomax	1878	C	4th	14	165	1	1	1	1	109	60
Poplar Springs	Richard Day, Elkin	1885	C	3rd	5	74	2	1	2	1	192	.....
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	1849	C	2nd	13	293	1	1	.....	1	74	50
Ronda	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	1893	V	1 & 3	14	146	1	1	15	1	142	88
Shoaly Branch	M. B. Phillips, Mt. Airy	1884	C	3rd	4	135	1	1	.....	1	80	38
White Plains	Jas. S. Bryant, Roaring River	.....	C	3rd	.....	141	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....

FINANCIAL TABLE

Churches	Literature for S. S., B.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	Incidentals, janitor, water, light, fuel, etc.	Help given to local poor	Pastor's Salary	All Other Local Church Expenses	"Specials" or Designated Gifts to Missions, etc.	Value of Church Houses and Grounds	Minute Funds and Clerk of Association	Total Value all Church Property
Center	5.76	24.00	15.00	62.15	1.73	3.60	800	2.00	800
Cool Springs				80.00		4.00	2500	2.25	2500
Elkin Valley	24.93	35.00	10.00	238.30	28.50	74.03	2500	5.03	2500
Little Elkin		5.00		50.00	14.50		2000	2.50	2000
Macedonia	7.01	12.00		100.00	23.06	10.06	2000	1.50	2000
Pleasant Hill	21.45	168.00	14.35	150.00	42.33	10.00	4000	3.02	4000
Pleasant Home	12.00	14.05		58.35	22.40		2000	2.50	2000
Poplar Springs	18.50	6.00		80.00	20.00		1000	3.02	1000
Rock Creek	2.47	5.00		35.00	7.00		2000	2.00	2000
Ronda	44.33	38.40	10.80	280.32	113.23	76.00	3750	1.40	4275
Shoaly Branch	3.84	5.00		100.00	35.00	10.00	1100	1.75	1100
White Plains							1500	1.50	1500

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Rock Creek Baptist Church

OCTOBER 5, 6 AND 7, 1928

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AFTERNOON SESSION

On motion proceeded to elect officers by ballot, and elected M. L. Pettyjohn, Moderator; and J. W. Cheek, Clerk.

An invitation was given visitors and the following accepted seats with us: J. M. Caudill, Pilot Mountain Association; Revs. C. F. Fields, J. M. Absher, and J. S. Elliott; J. A. Gilliam, Stone Mountain Association; Rev. A. T. Pardue and John Childress, Brier Creek Association; J. A. McKaughan, representing Biblical Recorder; I. M. Mercer, for Missions and Orphanage.

The Ronda Baptist church asked for a letter of dismissal to join Brier Creek Association, which was granted. The Moderator asked that the Rules of Decons and Articles of Faith be read, which was done.

COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EXERCISES REPORT

Rev. J. M. Absher preaches. Text: James 4:14.

PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS

There is no greater responsibility resting on any person than the pastor of the church. For on him rests the Holy care of the churches. He is to preach the Word, visit the sick, comfort the sorrowing, and console the members of his church. He is expected to lead in the church work.

The church should pray for the pastor and assist him in all the church work, aiding all who are in need of help, especially the widows and fatherless. The church should support the pastor that he may do a greater work for the Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. FIELDS,

J. M. ABSHER,

Committee.

Remarks: C. F. Fields, M. F. Barker, J. M. Absher.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

The Baptist Orphanage home at Thomasville, and the Kennedy Home are doing a great good in taking boys and girls that are left alone in the world and training them for a life of usefulness for the future. There are now 500 children in the Thomasville orphanage and 114 children in the Kennedy home.

Also through the mothers' aid are caring for 365 children with their mothers. Counting all we are caring for 979 children. Children are received into the orphanage between the ages of 2 and 12, and dismissed according to preparation rather than age. There are from 50 to 100 applications a month, most of them being turned away for lack of room..

The expenses average more than $600 a day. Perhaps no other orphanage in all the world is so bound up with the Sunday schools as ours. Our chief support has come from the once-a-month collection from the Sunday schools and the Thanksgiving offering. The Epistle of James tell us that pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: o Tvisit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction and to keep ourselves unspotted from the world. Let us therefore not visit the fatherless and the widows in person only, but also with our prayers and our means.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID W. DAY
E. F. YARBORO,
Committee.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

This resembles a report on a home, only it is many times multiplied.

The last annual report gave 618 children present; of these 117 were at the Kennedy Home. With 68 mothers there were aided 282 children, making in all 900 children cared for.

On account of shortage of funds fewer were cared for by mother's aid than a year ago.

Some six or eight hundred were turned away for lack of room, and no more could be helped by mother's aid for lack of funds.

For 43 years this stream of children has been coming in and passing on out into life with added preparation for the struggle there. That they be fitted and fortified for real living is the matter of chief concern. Our infirmary with a trained nurse and skilled physicians, who come at a moment's call, look after the health; our housekeeping, farm, dairy, printing office and other forms of industry, give skill to their hands; a standard school looks after their minds; and the religious life led by pastor E. N. Gardner, also a teacher of the Bible, is not neglected.

There is a painful discrepancy between the number of pressing applications for help and the contributions coming in.

So far we are not as badly in debt as we were a year ago at this time, but contributions are far below our expenditures.

Again every Baptist Sunday school is asked to make a contribution once a month. In some schools single classes support a child. Remember the Thanksgiving offering measured by one day's work or income as an expression of gratitude and thus enable the Orphanage to do its work. We would encourage a club of Charity and Children in every school, 60c a copy in clubs of ten or more to one address. It is one dollar to a single subscriber. We ask that a special Orphanage representative be appointed to aid the institution in keeping in touch with the Sunday school.

J. A. McKAUGHAN,
T. C. DeBORDE,
Committee.

Remarks: J. A. McKaughan, Arvil Whitley.

Report adopted.

On motion adjourned until Saturday, Oct. 6, 9:30 a. m.

Saturday morning, 9:30 a. m., met according to adjournment.

Devotional exercises conducted by Moderator, reading James 3rd chapter, song and prayer. An invitation was given to visiting brethren and J. A. Gilliam, G. P. Pendry and Rev. C. C. Holland, from Stone Mountain, accepted seats with us.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

The Baptists of North Carolina are engaged in State Mission work, Home Mission work, and Foreign Mission work. That is, in giving the Gospel to our own state, to the destitute sections of our Southland, Panama and Cuba, and to all the heathen and lost nations of the earth. We do this by our gifts to the co-operative program, a method by which every contributor helps in every department of the work.

The funds received from the churches by this plan are divided between state-wide and southwide objects on a 50-50 basis as follows:

State-wide Objects:

State Missions	23c
Our Christian Schools	23c

Winston-Salem Hospital	04c
Total	50c

South-wide Objects:

Foreign Missions	25c
Home Missions	11 1-4c
Our Seminaries	08 1-4c
Old Ministers' Relief	04 1-2c
New Orleans Hospital	01c
Total	50c

We heartily recommend to the churches of this Association that we co operate with our brethren in thus helping to build the Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Remarks, T. C. DeBorde, C. F. Fields.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

When Christ fed the five thousand men and women and children He gave us a wonderful example to apply to Christian education. He began by doing three definite things. He took the food they had in hand; He organized the disciples, His leaders; and He began working immediately.

When we speak of Christian education we naturally think first of our own Mountain View Institute. Then we think of other denominational schools. They each have their place and serve their capacity and locality. Our Sunday schools, churches, Baptist schools and periodicals using the Holy Bible as our source of information, give us and our children our Christian education. The influence of Christian parents prevails over boys and girls as long as they live in the home and the most important change of environment in lives of young people is when they go to boarding schools or to college. When they leave the influence of a Christian home we want to be very sure that their environment has the spiritual influence that will be for their best development and usefulness.

The Lord gave this section almost entirely to Baptists but we are given no assurance that we are to keep it. Unless we live up to our opportunities we are sure to lose ground. Is there a real need? Is Mountain View Institute entitled to our devotion and support? Develop the body alone and you have an athlete; develop the mind alone and you have a skeptic; develop the soul alone and you have a fanatic; develop body,

mind and soul and you have indeed the noblest work of God. We need the Baptist denomination. About twenty per cent of the Baptist pastors of the Southland have been students in our mountain schools. Fifty per cent of the ministerial students at our Baptist Theological Seminary come from a radius of 150 miles of Asheville. Our mountains positively do produce preachers. One of our State evangelists conducted a simple Bible test in senior classes in high schools and state schools in many points in North Carolina and only thirty-five per cent. of the pupils passed this simple test. The same test was given at Mountain View. Sixty-five per cent. of the pupils passed this test. This is a definite evidence of the work done at Mountain Viwe. A great opportunity and responsibility lies before us. Is Mountain View the place? There is not a school in the whole country more beautifully located. The nearest Baptist school to it in North Carolina is 90 miles away.

How shall we do the job? Mountain View Institute has done a great work in sending out many teachers and leaders. It will do a much greater work with our co-operation, more pupils and better equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN.

Remarks, Rev. C. C. Holland, J. A. Gilliam and Arvil Whitley.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Brethren: It is an outstanding fact in all the history of our country that the subject of Temperance confronts us with more force and a stronger call for conscientious Christian action at this crucial moment, than at any time in the history of our nation.

Therefore, we beg for and urge concerted and united action on the part of Baptists everywhere, and more especially the membership of the Elkin association to stand unanimously by the banner of Temperance in this, the greatest of all crises.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. DeBORDE.

Remarks, T. C. DeBorde, Rev. C. F. Fields, J. M. Absher.

Report adopted.

11:30 Sermon by Rev. C. C. Holland. Text: Acts, 2:40-47.

Adjournment, for one hour.

Afternoon Session.

Song, "Go and Bring Them In." Prayer by Rev. Grant Cothran.

Association opened for business.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following report: First, we condemn the reading of trashy and obscene literature, which is calculated to poison the minds of the rising generation, the world being filled with such periodicals and papers. But we do recommend and urge that each family in our churches read some religious and wholesome paper. We would suggest the Biblical Recorder as the leading organ of the Baptists of the state; also the Charity and Children printed and operated by our orphanage at Thomasville. We further suggest that each Sunday school supply a copy of the Charity and Children to each family who is not a subscriber.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. TUCKER,
J. M. VANHOY,
Committee.

Remarks by A. T. Pardue, J. M. Vanhoy.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTER'S RELIEF

There is no class of men who are more worthy to secure aid from us than the old ministers who have worn out their lives in traveling over our country preaching the Gospel and received very little remuneration. And they are coming to old age with very little of this world's goods and many of them are needing help.

Brethren, let us contribute liberally to these old veterans and make their old hearts feel glad.

Respectfully submitted,
T. C. DeBORDE,
C. F. FIELDS,
Committee.

Remarks, C. F. Fields, Grant Cothran, A. T. Pardue.

Report adopted.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy is a command of our Lord, with a promise of both temporal and spiritual blessings. The great trouble with our churches today seems to be non-attendance of church members who seem to be overcome with worldly pleasure to the extent that they also disobey His command to forsake not the assembling of yourselves together. To be a Christian means to be Christ-like and we learn that it was His custom to attend worship in the synagogue on the Sabbath day. We thought that good roads and automobiles would improve the attendance at church and Sunday schools; but we learn by observation that we were sadly mistaken. "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he." If his heart is set more on worldly pleasure trips on the Sabbath day, than on religious worship, than he is of the world worldly.

We can magnify the churches of Christ by the life we live as members. A church in any community is largely what its members think it to be, and altogether what its members make it. It has its character in the character of its members, its doctrines in the teachings of its members, its efficiency in the efficiency of its members, its reputation in the reputation of its members. As they are, so is their church in the eyes of the community. We have never emphasized as we ought the momentous importance of church life. And this importance holds whether we think of the life of the individual member, or the life of the aggregate membership. Every member has it in his power to mar or exalt his church, and this may be the crucial point in his life as a follower of his Lord. We would earnestly recommend that our church members who wish to take pleasure trips would include them in the programs of the six days allotted to them and quit desecrating the Lord's day, thereby training the young people of our communities to be more considerate obeying the commandments of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN.

Remarks, T. C. DeBorde, T. H. Settle, J. M. Caudill, C. F. Fields, Grant Cothran.

Report adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your Committee On Time, Place and Preacher, report that the next session of the Elkin Baptist Association will be

held with Little Elkin Baptist church, 3 1-2 miles northeast of Ronda, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1929, at 9:30 a. m.

Introductory sermon to be delivered by Rev. J. M. Absher.

J. M. VANHOY,
J. A. SEBASTIAN,
T. L. BYRD,
Committee.

Committee on Religious Exercises report: Rev. C. F. Fields preaches tonight and Rev. A. T. Pardue, Sunday.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the Committee On Resolutions, submit the following report:

We tender our heartfelt thanks to the brethren and sisters of Rock Creek church and community for their kind hospitality extended the Elkin Association. We pray the blessings of God rest upon them and that their church may prosper and grow.

T. H. SETTLE,
S. H. COUCH,
H. D. WOODRUFF,
Committee.

Report adopted.

The Clerk was to have 500 minutes printed and distributed to the different churches.

By motion, a harmonious session of our Association closed, until time and place of our next session.

May the blessings of God rest and abide with each number of the Elkin Association.

M. F. PETTYJOHN, Moderator, Elkin, N. C.
J. W. CHEEK, Clerk, Roaring River, N. C.

Sunday services, Oct. 7, 1928. Singing by choir. Prayer.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee, make the following report:

We believe the Sunday school to be second to no other organization in stamping upon the minds of the children the necessity of becoming Christians when they reach the years of accountability, provided it is properly conducted.

We also believe that it is a great institution in helping the adult keep in the straight and narrow way.

Therefore we recommend that the parents take the children to Sunday school and not send them.

The superintendent and teachers is an important factor in conducting the Sunday school. They should be carefully selected and none but straight forward Christians should be elected to fill those responsible positions.

Let us all strive together to make our Sunday schools better and have an evergreen school in each church in this association.

We feel highly pleased with our Sunday schools as they are, but we cannot say we are utterly satisfied, and with the proper effort we feel the work can be extended and we would like for an organization to be established in the Elkin Association looking to the assembling of superintendents, teachers and co-workers, at least once a year to the end that interest be doubled and redoubled.

A. C. WALLS,
T. H. SETTLE,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Sermon by A. T. Pardue. Text: 1st Corinthians 4:4.

CLERK'S STATEMENT

Balance due for 1927	$ 2.90
Paid for Printing Minutes	38.00
Paid Clerk for Services	10.00
Toal	$50.90
Minute Funds received	37.70
Balance due Clerk	13.20

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Levi McCann	Route 1, Roaring River, N. C.
M. F. Barker	Route 1, Roaring River, N. C.
J. W. Bryant	Elkin, N. C.
Richard Day	Benham, N. C.
E. F. Hinson	State Road, N. C.
J. F. Smith	Benham, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

John H. Luffman ..... Ronda, N. C.
J. D. Luffman ..... Ronda, N. C.
Martin Luffman ..... Ronda, N. C.
Arvil Whitley ..... North Wilkesboro, N. C.
C. C. Cockerham ..... Roaring River, N. C.

OUR DEPARTED ONES

Cool Springs: Mrs. Molisey Settle, Mrs. Susan Wishon.

Elkin Valley: Miss Nancy Antney.

Little Elkin: Mr. H. C. Luffman.

Pleasant Hill: Mr. T. A. Church, Miss Emma Mainard.

Pleasant Home: Mrs. Elizabeth Burcham.

Rock Creek: Rev. J. A. Jordan, Rev. W. W. Myers, Mr. Earl Myers, Mr. James Stone.

White Plains: Mr. Lankford Sparks, Mrs. Lucinda Harris.

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Center	D. G. Reece, Jonesville	C	1839	4th	41							41	No	1	1	
Cool Springs	J. M. Absher, Offen	C	1805	2nd	219	4	3		1		2	223	Yes	1	1	6
Elkin Valley	R. E. Adams, East Bend	C	1881	2nd	168	4	2				1	173	Yes	1	1	
Little Elkin	J. M. Absher, Offen	C	1905	4th	126	12	1		3		1	135		1	1	
Macedonia	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	C	1876	1st	160		1			2	2	157	Yes	1	1	3
Pleasant Hill	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	C	1897	4th	306	1			4	1	2	300	No	2	1	
Pleasant Home	Grant Cothren, Lomax	C	1878	4th	165	3			4		1	163		1	1	1
Poplar Springs	Richard Day, Benham	C	1885	3rd	76							76	Yes	1	1	
Rock Creek	J. S. Elliott, Knotville	C	1849	2nd	190	3	1	1	4		4	287	No	1	1	
Shoaly Branch	Grant Cothren, Lomax	C	1884	3rd	135							135	No	1	1	
White Plains	J. S. Bryant, Roaring River	C		3rd	141	8	1		10		2	138	No	1	1	

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 2

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES	Country (C), Village (V)	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3—5 Years	Primaries 6—8 Years	Juniors 9—12 Years	Intermediates 13—16 Years	Young People 17—24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Baptisms from School.	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.	Have you a Mission Sunday School?
Center	C. L. Johnson, Thurmond	C	5		12		15		20	52		No	No				No
Cool Springs	O. P. Holbrook, Benham	C	4	30	35	55		84		208	84	No	No	4	$23.33	$22.50	No
Elkin Valley	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin	C	7							157	77	No	No	2	59.18	52.01	No
Little Elkin	J. D. Luffman, Ronda	C	6							90	48	No	No		7.80		No
Macedonia	C. C. Cockerham, R. River	C	5	24		24	42			95	48	No	No				No
Pleasant Hill	David W. Day, Elkin	C	9	20	20	25	20	25	30	149	60	Yes	No		28.29	35.17	No
Pleasant Home	John Q. Burcham, R. River	C	8							80	50	Yes	No	3	10.50	7.85	No
Poplar Springs	H. W. Ray, State Road	C	6							172	78	Yes	No		2.13		No
Rock Creek	V. Whitley, No. Wilkesboro	C	6	6		23		26	16	77	60	No	No				No
Shoaly Branch	W. L. Draughn, Benham	C	6		21	16	31		34	108	45	No	No				No
White Plains	Raymon Foushee, R. River	C	7							60	35	No	No				No

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 3

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Are All Departments in Sunday School Provided For?	Are All Sunday School Classes Provided For?	Value of Church House and Grounds	CO OPERATIVE PROGRAM Special or Designated Gifts			
										Home Missions	Orphanages	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief and Aged Ministers' Homes
Center	P. A. Caudill, Thurmond	Yes		W	300	1	Yes	Yes	$ 800				
Cool Springs	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin	Yes	1805	W	500	1	Yes	Yes	2500		$22.50		$2.00
Elkin Valley	H. D. Woodruff, Elkin	Yes	1913	W	300	1	No		2500	$ 5.52	52.01		6.00
Little Elkin	M. W. Walls, Ronda	Yes	1915	W	400	1	Yes	Yes	2000				
Macedonia	C. R. Byrd, Ronda	Yes	1898	W	400	1	Yes	Yes	2000		5.33		
Pleasant Hill	E. F. Yarboro, Elkin	Yes	1903	W	500	1	Yes		4000		30.72	4.45	
Pleasant Home	J. W. Cheek, Roaring River	Yes		W	500	1	Yes	Yes	1000		2.95		2.90
Poplar Springs	J. W. Gentry, State Road	Yes		W	300	1			1000				
Rock Creek	J. A. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	Yes		W	300	0	No	No	1000				
Shoaly Branch	W. W. Darnell, Elkin	Yes		W	300	1	Yes	No	1100		7.27		
White Plains	W. S. Alexander, Ro. River	Yes		W	300	1			1000				

STATISTICAL STABLE NO. 4

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association.	Total for Support Local Church Work
Center	P. A. Caudill, Thurmond	$ 55.00	$	$	$ 1.00	$ 2.80	$ 8.50	$ 2.05	$ 69.35
Cool Springs	O. P. Holbrook, Benham	85.00	31.00	100.00	2.00			3.25	221.25
Elkin Valley	H. D. Woodruff, Elkin	209.81	40.31	25.00	23.00	21.46		5.75	325.33
Little Elkin	M. W. Walls, Elkin	67.00	28.00		5.00	7.40	10.00	3.20	122.40
Macedonia	C. R. Byrd, Ronda	100.00	18.00		12.00	7.80		4.70	142.28
Pleasant Hill	E. F. Yarboro, Elkin	48.70	86.18		59.25	15.72	16.81	5.00	231.66
Pleasant Home		40.00			13.50	10.50		3.00	67.00
Poplar Springs	W. F. Carter, State Road	86.51	21.50	22.27	11.56	20.00	10.00	3.15	174.99
Rock Creek	J. A. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	35.00		101.00	5.00	2.00		1.60	144.60
Shoaly Branch	W. L. Droughn, Benham	100.00			30.00			4.00	134.00
White Plains								2.00	2.00
								$37.70	

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

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Little Elkin Baptist Church

OCTOBER 4, 5, AND 6, 1929

M. L. PETTYJOHN, Moderator ..... Elkin, N. C.
J. W. CHEEK, Clerk ..... Roaring River, N. C.

The next session will be held with Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 2 miles northwest of Elkin, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1930, at 10:00 A. M.

PRESS OF THE WILKES PATRIOT

PROCEEDINGS

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Song, Sweet Hour of Prayer. Devotional exercises by Rev. J. M. Absher, reading 34th Psalm. Introductory sermon by Rev. J. M. Absher. Text, John 4-24.Association called to order by moderator. Church letters called for and the following handed in, read and delegates seated.

Center: C. L. Johnson.

Cool Springs: J. A. Pettyjohn, John Coutch.

Elkin Valley: H. D. Woodruff, T. C. DeBorde.

Little Elkin: J. M. Vanhoy, C. M. Laster, Vance Byrd.

Macedonia: J. N. Burchettte.

Pleasant Hill:

Pleasant Home:

Poplar Springs: R. H. Laster.

Rock Creek:

White Plains:

On motion proceeded to elect officers by ballot and elected M. L. Pettyjohn, Moderator; and J. W. Cheek, Clerk.

Extended an invitation to visitors and the following accepted seats with us: Rev's. John Burcham, J. M. Absher, Stone Mountain Association. The Moderator appointed committees for the different objects.

Adjourn for one hour.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Song, How Beautiful Heaven Must Be. Prayer, by Charlie R. Byrd.

REPORT ON PASTORAL AND CHURCH RELATIONS

The committee on pastoral and church relations begs leave to submit the following: The pastor should ever be prompt in attendance and in looking after the welfare of church and community. He should take the oversight willingly. The church should look after the temporal needs for the laborer is worthy of his hire, and see that he lives with his people.

Even so hath the Lord ordained that they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel, 1st Corinthians 9:14, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. ABSHER,
R. H. LASTER.
Committee.

Remarks: T. C. DeBorde, H. D. Woodruff.
Report adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

This resembles a report on a home, only it is many times multiplied.

The Baptist Orphanage home at Thomasville, and the Kenedy Home are doing a great work in taking boys and girls that are left alone in the world and training them for a life of usefulness for the future. There is now, as same as usual, a large number of children in the Thomasville Orphanage and the Kenedy Home. Also there are a large number cared for through the mothers aid. Children are received into the Orphanage between the ages of 2 and 12 and dismissed according to preparation rather than age. There are from 50 to 100 applications a month, most of them being turned away for the lack of room.

The expenses average more than $600 a day. Our chief support comes from the Sunday School and once a month collection, also Thanksgiving offerings. On account of shortage of funds fewer are cared for. This being true hundreds are turned away yearly.

For 44 years this stream of children has been coming in and passing out into life with added preparation for the struggle there. That they be fitted and fortified for real living, the housekeeping, farm, dairy, printing office, and other forms of industry, give skill to their hands; a standard school looks after their minds, also the religious and Bible training is not neglected. Let us take the Charity and Children for 60c and Biblical Recorder for $1.00, read them and go down in prayer and humble submission to Him in their behalf.

CHARLIE R. BYRD,
L. C. LOWE,
Committee.

Remarks: C. R. Byrd, J. M. Absher, T. C. DeBorde.
Report adopted.

MISSIONS

Our mission program is divided into three departments, State, Home and Foreign.

A great expansion has taken place in the last few years over all the country, much of this has been the result of Home Mission work on the part of the independent churches.

We would stress State Missions because of the work it is doing in giving the gospel to the destitute mountain and coast regions, and organizing churches.

Our Foreign Missions are greatly handicapped because of the lack of funds. Let us all rally to the cause.

T. C. DeBORDE,
Committee.

Remarks: Walter M. Gilmer.
Report adopted.

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES

Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. John Burcham preach tonight. Text, 2nd Timothy 1-7, and Rev. Wade Bostick, (a missionary from China) preach at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

By motion adjourned till Saturday 9:30 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT. 5

Song 137, At The Cross. Devotional Exercises conducted by Rev. Wade Bostick reading 37th Psalm.

Prayer. Moderater called association to order. Clerk reading proceedings.

Invitation extended to visitors and the following accepted seats with us: J. P. Greene, South Yadkin Association; H. T. Pendry, Liberty Association; Walter M. Gilmer, Raleigh.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In presenting this subject we are bound to see that the emphasis must be laid on Bible Teaching as Baptists see and understand it.

An education of the head alone, and not the heart, is a very poor one, indeed. If we believe in Baptist doctrines, we must patronize Baptist schools, for, almost invariably, your boy and girl will cling to the faith and doctrine of the school which they attend. If you want your boy or girl to be Baptists, then educate them in Baptist schools, but if you want them to be Methodists or Presbyterians, why send to the Methodist or Presbyterian school, and, certainly, they will not disappoint you.

We have a number of first-class colleges and high schools owned and run by the Baptist. So you have no excuse for patronizing other denominational schools. Brethren, let us rally to our standard.

J. N. BURCHETTE,
C. M. LASTER,
Committee.

Remarks: T. C. DeBorde.

Report adopted.

11:30 Talk by Rev. Wade Bostick.
Adjourn for one hour.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Songs: 'Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus. Where the Soul Never Dies.

Moderator called association to order for business.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We should be temperate in talking, in eating, in acting and in drinking and in all things that tend to lower morals and injure the health of our children.

We think people should abstain from the use of all alcoholic beverages and harmful drugs.

J. M. ABSHER,
REV. JOHN BURCHAM,
Committee.

Remarks: J. M. Absher and John Burcham.
Report adopted.

PERIODICALS

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report: First, we condem the reading of trashy literature and recommend the Bible and some good religious papers, such as the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children and our Sunday school literature.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. VANHOY,
C. L. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Remarks: Rev. John Burcham and J. M. Vanhoy.
Report adopted.

OLD MINISTER'S RELIEF

We, your committee, on old minister's relief, submit the following report:

There is no class of men who are more worthy of aid than old ministers who have worn out their lives preaching the Gospel and received very little of the worlds goods.

Brethren, let us contribute liberally to these old Brethren and make them feel glad.

Respectfully submitted,
H. D. WOODRUFF,
W. B. MONEY,
Committee.

Remarks: H. D. Woodruff, T. C. DeBorde.
Report adopted.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The subject of this discussion presents a deplorable thought. When we think of the condition of our churches today and the attitude they presented thirty years ago, we see quite a contrast.

Thirty years ago, the church was regarded as select body, and the house as a sacred place and we regarded it as blessed privilege to attend its sacred

worship. Today it is different. The church has become careless and indifferent, inclined to business and pleasure.

J. A. DARNELL,
J. A. PETTYJOHN,
Committee.

Remarks: T. C. DeBorde.

Report adopted.

Committee on Religious Exercises report Rev. J. M. Absher preach tonight. Text, Matthew 4-7, and Rev. J. W. Bryant preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem is a Baptist Institution and is largely supported by the Baptists of North Carolina.

We feel it our duty to help maintain and support this Institution from the simple fact that it is a charitable Institution, helping those who are unable to help themselves. We recommend that this association contribute to its support.

T. C. BORDE,
T. L. BYRD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the committee on resolutions, submit the following report:

We, the Elkin Association, tender to the Little Elkin Church and community our many thanks for their kind hospitality extended the Elkin Association and may God's richest blessings rest on them and their church.

J. N. BURCHETTE,
Committee.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Friday before 1st Sunday in Oct., 1930, 10 o'clock a. m.. Place—Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 2 miles northwest of Elkin. Preacher—Rev. Richard Day, Alternate, Rev. Grant Cothren.

T. C. DeBORDE,
VANCE BYRD,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE REPORT

Received from Churches	$32.40
Sunday Collection	4.45
Total	$36.85
Due Clerk for 1928	5.20
Now in Hands of Clerk	$31.65

H. D. WOODRUFF,
G. W. VANHOY,
Committee.

By motion we instruct the clerk to take out $5.20 due him from last year and pay himself a reasonable fee for his work, this year, and have some minutes printed if enough funds.

By motion the association closed until time and place of next meeting.

M. F. PETTYJOHN, Moderator,
J. W. CHEEK, Clerk.

SUNDAY MORNING

Song by choir. Reading 24 chapter Mathew by J. H. Luffman. Prayer by Rev. John Burcham.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee, make the following report:

We believe the Sunday School to be second to no other organization in stamping upon the minds of the children the necessity of becoming Christians when they reach the years of accountability, provided it is properly conducted.

This is one of the greatest institutions in helping the adult to keep in the straight and narrow way.

Therefore we recommend that the parents take the children to Sunday School and not send them.

The superintendent and teachers are important factors in conducting the Sunday School. They should be carefully selected and none but straight forward Christians should be elected to fill those responsible positions.

Let us all strive together to make our Sunday Schools better and have an evergreen school in each church in this association. Also we would be glad that every Sunday School in this association be represented in the Edwards Township Sunday School Convention

and reap the benefits of the seed that are sown there.

We feel greatly pleased with our Sunday schools as they are, but we cannot say that we are utterly satisfied, and with the proper effort we feel the work can be established and we would like for an assemblage of the superintendents, teachers and co-workers of the Sunday school in a round table discussion at every session of our conventions.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLIE R. BYRD,
J. M. VANHOY,
Committee.

Remarks: C. R. Byrd, John Burcham, J. A. Gilliam and Prof. Hugh Long.

Sermon 11 a. m. by Rev. J. W. Bryant. Text, 1st Kings 30-18.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Levi McCann ..... Route 1, Roaring River, N. C.
M. F. Barker ..... Route 1, Roaring River, N. C.
J. W. Bryant ..... Elkin, N. C.
Richard Day ..... Benham, N. C.
J. F. Smith ..... State Road, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

John H. Luffman ..... Ronda, N. C.
J. D. Luffman ..... Ronda, N. C.
Martin Luffman ..... Ronda, N. C.
C. C. Cockerham ..... Roaring River, N. C.

TABLE 1: CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC. ELKIN ASSOCIATION FOR SEPT. 30, 1929.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES
Center	P. A. Caudill, Thurmond, N. C.	P. A. Caudill, Thurmond, N. C.
Cool Springs	M. L. Pettyjohn, Elkin, N. C.	P. B. Robins, Elkin, N. C.
Elkin Valley	H. D. Woodruff, Elkin, N. C.	T. C. DeBorde, Elkin, N. C.
Little Elkin	M. W. Walls, Ronda, N. C.	J. D. Luffman, Roaring River, N. C.
Macedonia	C. R. Byrd, Ronda, N. C.	C. C. Cockerham, Roaring River, N. C.
Pleasant Hill	E. F. Yarboro, Elkin, N. C.	David W. Day, Elkin, N. C.
Pleasant Home	J. W. Cheek, Roaring River, N. C.	John Q. Burcham, Roaring River, N. C.
Poplar Springs	J. W. Gentry, State Road, N. C.	H. W. Ray, State Road ,N. C.
Rock Creek	J. A. Sebastian, No. Wilkesboro, N. C.	W. M. Sebastian, No. Wilkesboro, N. C.
Shoaly Branch	W. W. Darnell, Elkin, N. C.	W. F. Gilliam, Benham, N. C.
White Plains	W. S. Alexander, Roaring River, N. C.	

CHURCHES	OUR DEPARTED ONES
Cool Springs	Mrs. Nancy Cockerham.
Macedonia	Mr. Joe F. Burchette.
Pleasant Hill	Mr. Walker Luffman, Mrs. Lula Alexander, Mrs. Pruda Hemric, Mrs. Phebe Pardue.
Pleasant Home	Mr. Carl McCann, Mrs. Nancy Cockerham.
Rock Creek	Mr. W. H. Higgins.
Shoaly Branch	Mr. Gernie Newman, Mr. Claude McCann, Mr. Ed Spencer.

SUMMARY TABLE. STATISTICS OF ELKIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1929

	When Constituted	City (C), Town (T), or Country Church (O)	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES	Regular Meeting Days	Baptisms	Total Membership	Revival Meetings Held During Year	Observances of Lord's Supper During Year	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper	Number of Schools	Total Enrolled	Total No. B. Y. P. U.'s	Total Enrolled in B. Y. P. U.'s	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Pastor's Salary	Total Local Church Expenses Including Pastor's Salary	Total for all Missions	Value of Church Houses and Grounds
Center	1839	O	D. G. Reece, Jonesville	4	2	42	1			1	43			$2.15	$ 50.00	$135.15		$ 800.
Cool Springs	1805	O	J. M. Absher, Offen	2	3	227	1	1	22	1	125			4.40	42.50	156.90		2500.
Elkin Valley	1881	O	R. E. Adams, East Bend	2	12	195	2	1		1	202			6.00	283.25	457.03	$55.12	2500.
Little Elkin	1905	O	J. M. Absher, Offen	4	3	139	1	1		1	60			2.30	75.00	84.80		2000.
Macedonia	1898	O	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	1	2	159	1	1	2	1	101			3.64	100.00	129.74	10.54	2000.
Pleasant Hill	1897	O	J. W. Bryant, Elkin	4		288	2	1	1	1	242			3.26	97.22	214.56		4000.
Pleasant Home	1878	O	Grant Cothren, Lomax	4		159	1	1	1	1	76			4.00	40.00	105.50	13.00	2000.
Poplar Springs	1885	O	Richard Day, Benham	3	6	85	1	1		1	152			2.40	85.00	102.40		1000.
Rock Creek	1849	O	T. P. Shoemaker, Lenoir	2	19	298	1	1		1	52			2.00	35.00	105.97		1000.
Shoaly Branch	1884	O	Grant Cothren, Lomax	3	4	128	1	1		1	108	1	108	2.25	100.00	102.25		
White Plains																		